

# Kingfisher Bay Resort Fact Sheet

Fraser Island, the world's largest sand island, is a miracle of nature. It is famous for its ancient rainforests, mighty sand dunes, pristine freshwater lakes and streams and an abundance of birds and wildlife. On the ocean side of the island, the sands of Seventy-Five Mile Beach stretch beyond the horizon. Aboriginal history claims the island as K'gari, meaning paradise. European history is rich with tales of shipwrecks, logging and sand mining. Its World Heritage listing ranks Fraser Island with Uluru, Kakadu and the Great Barrier Reef. As a precious part of Australia's natural and cultural heritage, it is protected for all to appreciate and enjoy.

Kingfisher Bay Resort, in perfect harmony with its natural surroundings, offers a rare eco-tourism experience. Hidden among tree-covered dunes on the edge of the calm waters of the Great Sandy Strait, it is a relaxing haven. Kingfisher Bay Resort has won six Australian Tourism Awards and Discovery's Travel Channel names it Australia's Best Beach Resort.

## LOCATION

Australia's Fraser Island lies at the southern end of the Great Barrier Reef. It is a 90-minute flight from Sydney or a 45-minute flight from Brisbane or a three-and-a-half hour drive from the Queensland capital of Brisbane, then a 45-minute boat ride from Hervey Bay.

## How to Get There

Kingfisher Bay has 4 return catamaran services to the resort each day from Urangan Boat Harbour in Hervey Bay. A vehicle barge runs 3 times a day from River Heads. Coach transfers are available from Hervey Bay Airport and the Coach Terminal to Kingfisher Bay reception at Urangan Boat Harbour. Please book catamaran, barge, airport and coach terminal transfers with reservations.

Catamaran transfers		Vehicle Barge transfers	
Depart Urangan Harbour	Depart Kingfisher Bay Resort	Depart River Heads	Depart Kingfisher Bay Resort
0845	0740	0715	0830
1200	1030	1100	1330
1600	1400	1430	1600
1900	1700	Transfer time subject to change	

## By Car to Urangan Boat Harbour

**From Brisbane** 3 1/2 hours. Travel north on the Bruce Highway to Maryborough then follow the signs to Hervey Bay. Stay on the main road, which becomes Boat Harbour Drive. Follow the signs to Urangan Boat Harbour.

**From the North and Bundaberg** Follow the Bruce Highway south. Turn off at Torbanlea following signs to Hervey Bay. Bundaberg to Hervey Bay 1 1/2 hours.

See [www.kingfisherbay.com](http://www.kingfisherbay.com) - under "how to get there" for a coloured regional map.

**Secure Parking** Great Sandy Straits secure, uncovered car parking is located on the left as you enter the Urangan Boat Harbour public car park. We suggest you drive directly to the Tourist Terminal to off-load luggage at Kingfisher Bay reception then return to the car park. It is only a 100-metre walk. Rates \$8.00 per day. Enquiries +617 4125 4554

## By 4WD to River Heads Vehicle Barge Ramp

Travel north on the Bruce Highway to Maryborough then follow the signs to Hervey Bay. About 10 minutes north of Maryborough turn right to River Heads. The road is well sign posted and the road runs into the Kingfisher vehicle barge car park.

## By Air

Qantas Link flies 3 times daily from Brisbane to Hervey Bay. Jetstar or Virgin fly daily from Sydney to Hervey Bay and return. International and domestic flight connections are available from Brisbane Airport

## Air Fraser

Scenic flights to Fraser Island on demand from Sunshine and Gold Coasts, Brisbane, Bundaberg and Gladstone. Arrive at Hervey Bay Airport or Seventy-Five Mile Beach on Fraser Island. Book with Kingfisher Bay Resort reservations.

## By Rail

Train from Brisbane (from the south) or Cairns (from the north) to Maryborough with QR Rail-link bus to Urangan Boat Harbour. Updated itineraries at: [www.traveltrain.com.au](http://www.traveltrain.com.au)

## By Coach

Greyhound/McCafferty's have daily services from the Brisbane Transit Centre to the Hervey Bay Coach Terminal.

## By Road, daily shuttle service

Book with Kingfisher Bay Resort reservations.

Catamaran Departs Kingfisher Bay Resort	From Hervey Bay to Brisbane	Arrival Times	Depart Brisbane to Hervey Bay	Departure Time	Catamaran to Kingfisher Bay Resort	Cost each way Nett AUD
0740	Hervey Bay	0830	Brisbane City Hotels	1030 & 1330	-	\$72.00
-	Brisbane Airports	1300	Brisbane Roma St Transit Centre	1100 & 1400	-	\$72.00
-	Brisbane Roma St Transit Centre	1330	Brisbane Airports	1130 & 1430	-	\$72.00
-	Brisbane City Hotels	1400	Hervey Bay	1530 & 1830	1600 & 1900	\$72.00

Pick-ups/Drop Offs - Roma Street Station - Level 3, Bay 15-18. International Airport - Level 2, Information Desk, to meet shuttle driver. Domestic Arrivals - exit the terminal, cross over the road to the second/middle lane outside Virgin Terminal for both Qantas and Virgin arrivals. Brisbane Hotels - lobby/reception.

\*\* Important - please double check pick-up and drop off points with reservations when confirming bookings.



## ACCOMMODATION

Kingfisher Bay Resort & Village has 152 hotel rooms, 109 self-contained villas plus a 184-bed Wilderness Lodge for 18s to 35s. Check in time 2.00pm - check out time 10.00am.

- Hotel rooms have one queen plus one king single bed, private deck, air conditioning, insect screens, bath/shower, colour TV, hair dryer, telephone, refrigerator, tea/coffee-making facilities, iron/ironing board.
- Facilities are available for guests with disabilities (Hotel rooms only).
- Villas are self-contained with 2 & 3 bedrooms, large private decks, insect screens, bath/shower, spa on request, colour TV, clock radio, telephone, fully-equipped kitchen with microwave, dishwasher on request, laundry, iron/ironing board. Some 2 bedroom villas have a loft with 2 single beds accessed by a ladder, which may be unsuitable for young children or elderly guests. Please advise on reservation.
- All bedding, linen and towels are supplied. For visits less than 5 nights, charges apply for servicing and linen/ towel changes. Please contact Housekeeping.
- Electric current: 240V/110V.
- Smoking is prohibited inside all buildings and where food, alcohol and entertainment is provided.

## RESTAURANTS AND BARS

Kingfisher Bay Resort and Village has three restaurants, four bars, a coffee shop and a nightclub.

### The Maheno Restaurant, Lounge and Cocktail Bar

Overlooking the swimming pools, the Maheno is open for breakfast, lunch and dinner daily. Children's meals are available.

**Breakfast:** Choose continental or hot, country-style breakfasts from the buffet.

**Lunch:** Dine a la carte on the deck or poolside.

**Evenings:** Try the cocktail of the day in the Maheno Bar.

**Dinner:** Buffets have different food themes each night, with a stunning array of hot and cold dishes and desserts. Seafood buffets on Friday and Saturday. Bookings essential.

### Seabelle Restaurant

The superb a la carte menu introduces the flavours of the Australian bush combined with quality meats and fabulous local seafood. There is also a comprehensive vegetarian menu. The wine list features some fine Australian wine by the glass. Be tempted by pre-dinner cocktails in the friendly atmosphere of Seabelle Bar. Open for dinner only. Bookings essential.



### Sand Bar Bistro, Pizzeria

Overlooking the beach and two swimming pools, the Sand Bar's vibrant nautical atmosphere makes this a fun, family place to relax for lunch or dinner.

There is an extensive blackboard menu plus great pizza in the evenings. On Sundays you can enjoy a carvery buffet lunch. Children's menu available.

### The Pool Bar

Enjoy a cocktail by the pool. The Pool Bar offers drinks from ice-cold beers to tropical cocktails. The lunch menu includes sandwiches, burgers and salads.

### The Coffee Rock Cafe

Located in the Shopping Village, this air-conditioned haven offers fresh-baked bread, pastries, hot pies, filled baguettes and rolls, cappuccinos, cold drinks and ice creams.

### Dingo Bar Nightclub

There's a party every night. Located adjacent to the Wilderness Lodge, the nightclub is accessible via a shuttle bus from reception. Featuring the latest in sound, lighting and party games, the bar opens from 7pm until the wee small hours.

### Jetty Hut

Gather here for a drink as the sun sets over the Great Sandy Strait.

## TASTES OF AUSTRALIA – FOOD AND WINE CLASSES

Exploring the local cuisine plays a huge part in the enjoyment of a holiday and the resort has designed an excellent program to introduce guests to Australian food and wine. Book at Seabelle Restaurant.

## WHAT TO WEAR

Lightweight casual clothes, sandals, hats and sun screen. Smart casual clothing after 6.00pm. Average summer temperature 29°C (86°F), average winter temperature 22°C (72°F). Warmer clothing for cool winter nights.



## FRASER ISLAND BEAUTY SPOTS TOUR

Learn about the natural and cultural history of the island. Swim in the clear, blue waters of Lake McKenzie, the island's most beautiful perched lake. From Central Station, walk along the banks of Wanggoolba Creek as it flows silently through rainforest. Marvel at the tall, majestic satinay trees of Pile Valley. Drive along famous Seventy-Five Mile Beach. Stop to swim or paddle in the cool fresh waters of Eli Creek. Visit the wreck of the Maheno and the coloured sands of the Pinnacles. See an ancient forest being uncovered as Stonetool Sand Blow moves across the island. A full-day, ranger-guided tour for adults from \$155, for children from \$85. Includes morning tea, lunch and National Park Fees.

## PERSONALISED RANGER GUIDED TOURS

You choose what you want to do - find a private lake for a swim and picnic, walk in the rainforest, bird watch or climb a sand blow. Get your ranger to go where you want and do what you like. Exclusive, customised four-wheel-drive, ranger-guided day tour of Fraser Island for up to four people. Full day hire from \$820 per vehicle. Food and beverages not included.

## FREE RANGER GUIDED WALKS

Join our rangers on free walks and talks daily. Meet in reception. Check the "What's On" guide for activities and times.

- On the morning bird walk you'll spot some of the 354 species that frequent the island, including honeyeaters, eastern whip birds, rainbow bee-eaters and the brilliant azure, forest and sacred kingfishers.
- Find out how our plants survive in sand and how the Aborigines and early European settlers used these plants for both food and medicine.
- Come behind the scenes and see how Australia's leading environmental resort operates - we have set benchmarks in ecotourism.
- On a night walk, turn the spotlight on rare acid frogs and bats around the resort lakes and sugar gliders as they move through the trees. Star gaze and see if you can find the Southern Cross.
- Nightly slide presentations on Fraser Island flora and fauna.
- Nightly dingo talks. Find out how they live and learn to be dingo safe.



## WHALE WATCHING CRUISE

Humpback whales book their holidays in Hervey Bay from August to October. During this time about 2000 humpbacks spend anywhere from a day or two to two weeks in the sheltered lee of Fraser Island. Because the whales are taking time out from their migration they provide some of the best whale watching in the world. As they come in close to the boats they are easily seen in the clear waters of the bay. Half-day cruises operate daily from August to October, 8am until 12.00pm. Adults from \$100, children from \$55. Includes morning tea, expert whale watch commentary, a multimedia presentation and kids' activities.

## DOLPHIN WATCH CRUISE

Spend a morning cruising the calm waters of the Great Sandy Strait in search of dolphins, dugong, turtles and sea birds. The Indo-Pacific Humpback dolphin and bottlenose dolphin are found in the area. Available November to July. Half-day cruise adults from \$70, children from \$40.

## CHAMPAGNE SUNSET CRUISE

Enjoy pre-dinner drinks on board Blue Dolphin sailing catamaran as the sun sets over the Great Sandy Strait. Available November to July. One-and-a-half-hour cruise. Adults from \$50, children from \$30.

## JUNIOR ECO RANGER PROGRAMME

Ages 5-14: Hey kids, become a Junior Ranger while on holiday. Bushwalking, games, craft, camp sing-a-longs and story telling, spotlighting for native animals and using a compass are just some of the activities happening! Join the Junior Rangers every weekend and school holidays. Junior Ranger Activities: 10.00am-12.00pm. Eco Teens Activities: 1.30pm-3.30pm. Dinner and Evening Activities for 5s to 14s: 5.30pm-9.00pm \$20 per Child for dinner & \$10 for each day session.

## KIDS CLUB

Modern, purpose-built centre for the under fives with qualified child-care staff. Open 8.30am-4.30pm



## ACTIVITIES, THINGS TO DO

- 4WD ecotours • 4WD hire • Dolphin Search cruises
- Whale watching - August to October • Free ranger-guided walks, slide shows and talks • Tennis • Rainforest tours
- Bushwalking • Birdwatching • Nature photography
- Beach volleyball • Beach swimming • Fishing
- Swimming pools • Star gazing • Picnic hamper service
- Forest by night spotlighting.

## WATERSPORTS AT THE JETTY HUT

- Ranger-guided canoe paddles and free fishing clinics daily. See "What's On" for times.
- Fishing dinghy hire: 4 person, sun covers.
- Live bait and jigs for sale.
- Fishing kit hire: rods, tackle, yabbie pumps, buckets and fishing knives.
- Paddle ski and Canadian canoe hire.
- Snorkelling equipment hire.
- Sailing catamarans: 2 people. Hire and lessons available.

## MASSAGE AND BEAUTY THERAPY

Kingfisher Natural Therapy and Beauty for men and women of all ages. Full massage menu, wraps, facial treatments, blissful body packages, hand and foot care, ear piercing, waxing, lash and brow tints, scalp and neck treatment, hairdressing and colour. In the Shopping Village. Early booking essential.

## FOUR WHEEL DRIVE HIRE

**Vehicle Hire Rates:** Full day (incl. insurance) from \$295. Half day (incl. insurance) from \$200

**Permits:** A government permit to drive on the island must be purchased. Cost \$35

**Bond:** A security deposit is held until return of vehicle in the same condition as hired.

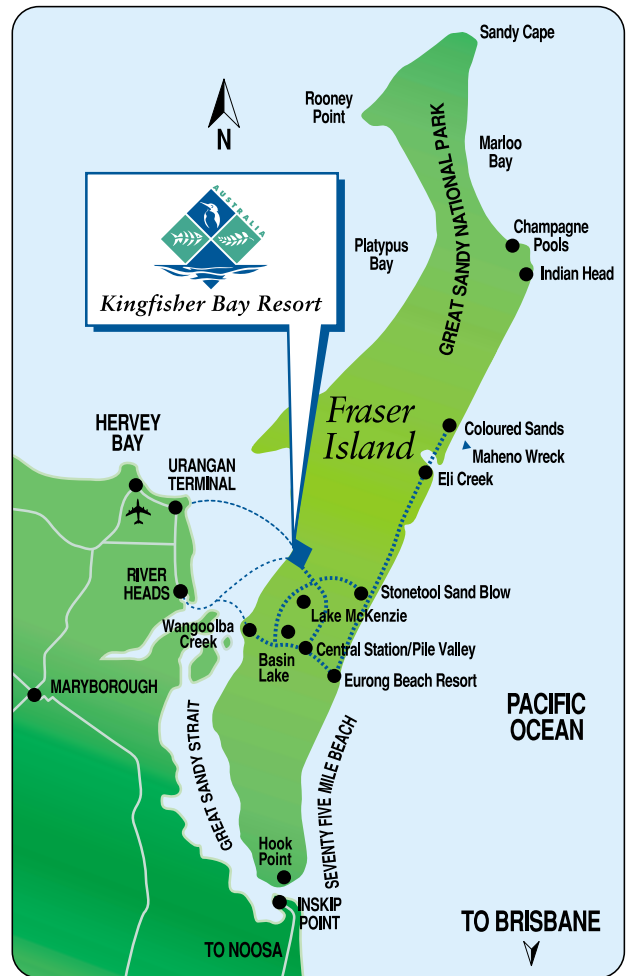
**Fuel:** All vehicles are supplied with a full tank of fuel on commencement of hire and must be returned FULL at the hirer's expense.

**Driver:** All drivers must be 21 years and over and present a current driving licence.

Bookings are essential. To avoid disappointment pre-book when making reservations.

## SERVICES AND FACILITIES

- Major cards accepted: Visa, Diners, American Express, Mastercard, Bankcard, Eftpos • Safety deposit boxes
- Beach towels on request • Porter service
- Medical services • Guest laundry & dry cleaning service
- Foreign exchange • ATM • Conference Centre
- Post Office • Overnight film processing.



## Reservations & Enquiries

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