



THRIVE
ADVENTURES

Australia

Coastal Walkabout

Great Barrier Reef and Island Hopping at its Best!

South Pacific Series Trip



Adventure Includes

- Accommodations
- Transportation
- Fraser Island Remote Tour
- Great Keppel Island Tour
- Whitsunday Islands Powerboat Tour
- Australia Zoo
- Brisbane Dinner Cruise
- Select Meals
- Fully Escorted Trip

Popular Optional Activities

- Surfing
- SCUBA Diving
- Sydney Extension
- Cape Tribulation Excursion
- Jungle Surfing Canopy Tour

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November - March



Ask about our optional extension to **Sydney!**

ITINERARY




B: breakfast included **L** : lunch included **D**: dinner included (if no indication, client responsible for meal cost)



DAY 1

Welcome to Your Adventure!


 Depart from U.S.


DAY 2

Lose this day over the International Date Line

DAY 3


Arrival in Brisbane & Dinner Cruise **(D)**

 Welcome to Australia! You are now in the hands of your expert Thrive Adventures guides, so kick back, relax, and enjoy the view!

 In the evening, enjoy a dinner cruise tour of dynamic Brisbane


DAY 4

Australia Zoo: Home of the late Crocodile Hunter, Steve Irwin

 Bond with kangaroos and koalas, get up close and personal with the crocs, and learn about wildlife down under


DAY 5

Fraser Island Remote Tour **(B L D)**

 Escape the crowds and city chaos and be one of the few to see the untouched, pristine side of the world's largest sand island. Go bush-walking, snorkeling, fishing, kayaking, and swimming... or simply sunbathe on the beach


DAY 6

Travel to Rockhampton, Gateway to Great Keppel Island **(B)**

 Experience the coastal views, vibrant nightlife, and hospitality of this genuine Aussie town


DAY 7

Great Keppel Island **(B L)**

 Take the morning ferry to an island fringed by stunning coral gardens, turquoise waters and sun-drenched beaches... explore or relax in the sunshine!

DAY 8

Great Keppel Island Free Day **(B)**

 Sunbathe on the beach, swim, snorkel, or head to the island's interior where native wildlife abounds





DAY 9

Travel to Airlie Beach, Gateway to the Whitsunday Islands (B)

- 🐼 Stop in Mackay for a tasty bite to eat
- 🐼 Enjoy the gorgeous views and vibrant nightlife of this global hub

DAY 10

Power Boat Tour of the Whitsunday Islands (B L)

- 🐼 Visit Whitehaven Beach, world-famous for its white silica sand that stays cool even on the hottest days. Join the guided walk to the Southern Whitehaven lookout, enjoy private access to Hill Inlet beach, and snorkel or sunbathe the afternoon away

DAY 11

Travel toward Cairns, stopping in Townsville (B)

- 🐼 Enjoy an evening exploring this uniquely Australian town, home of Magnetic Island, or learn to surf in the turquoise beginner waves!
Surfing lesson optional; additional cost



DAY 12

Final Destination: Cairns, Australia! (B L D)

- 🐼 Settle in and relax in this famous city nestled on the Great Barrier Reef. Out some “shrimp on the barby” for dinner!

DAY 13

Cairns Free Day

- 🐼 SCUBA dive the Great Barrier Reef!
SCUBA diving optional; additional cost
- 🐼 If SCUBA isn't for you, the Rainforest Tour is an excellent alternative!

DAY 14

Cairns Free Day or Cape Tribulation

- 🐼 Optional overnight excursion to the remote rainforest town of Cape Tribulation for a Jungle Surfing Canopy and the opportunity to SCUBA dive remote areas of the Great Barrier Reef

DAY 15

Cairns Free Day

- 🐼 Hit the beach to relax, take a surfing lesson, or take a tour of this vibrant Australian city. Relax and enjoy yourself on our final day in Australia!

DAY 16

Welcome Home! (B)

- 🐼 Regain this day over the International Date Line



Don't want to miss Sydney? Don't fret, Mate!
Thrive will arrange for you to stay downunder for an
extra bit of fun!



Climb the bridge

Surf Sydney's famous beaches

Ride the ferry through the
stunning harbor

Tour the world-famous
Opera House

Visit the aquarium and museums

Explore the city's spirited nightlife

Contact us to explore this option!

General International Travel Information

NO EXPERIENCE NEEDED

All activities on your trip are fully outfitted and guided. No equipment, previous experience, or specific level of physical fitness is needed. All activities will be conducted at a pace set by the adventurer.

PASSPORTS

Your passport expiration date must be at least 6 months past the date of your return to the U.S. If your passport is due to expire even 5 months after your trip, you should renew it before the trip. Customs reserves the right to keep you from entering the country if the above criteria are not met.

If you do not have a passport, apply for one at least 3 months prior to departure. For an extra cost, it is possible to get your passport expedited; this implies a turnaround time of approximately 3 weeks. For passport information and application procedures, visit <http://travel.state.gov/passport>. Should you wish to apply for a passport in person, your local DMV may provide this service. If not, they will be able to direct you to the proper site in your area. Whether applying online or in person, you will need to submit a specific "passport photo." This may be inexpensively obtained at Target, WalMart, Walgreen's, or CVS Pharmacy.

TRAVEL INSURANCE

Travel insurance is recommended, but is not mandatory. Thrive uses a third-party travel insurance company, Travel Safe Insurance, to provide discounted prices for our clients. Visit www.TravelSafe.com for complete policy information. If you wish, a travel insurance quote will be sent to you upon completion of the Registration Forms portion of this packet. **Note:** Travel insurance must be purchased within 15 days of initial deposit.

FLIGHTS AND TRIP EXTENSIONS

Thrive Adventures is equipped to provide travel agent services. We will gladly assist you in arranging your flights and desired 'extras,' including all pre- and post-trip extension accommodations, activities, and transportation. We know the nuances and intricacies of flying and travelling abroad, especially as it relates to our trips, and we promise to keep you informed and comfortable throughout your experience. Check the "Book My Flights" box on the Client Information Form below. We welcome your inquiries sent to booking@thriveadventures.com and we are also available by phone.

If you choose to book with Thrive Adventures, we will do our best to place a guide on your flight, and he or she will be available to assist in navigating the airport. A meeting place in the international airport will be specified during the booking process, and all flight and travel information will be communicated to you well in advance of departure.

Most international flight purchases will include your recommended 1 suitcase. If booking on your own, you should check with your airline regarding luggage weight and carry-on restrictions.

TRANSPORTATION

Driving abroad can be quite an experience, but don't fret! Your guides have plenty of experience navigating in these circumstances. All you have to do is hop in and enjoy the scenery!

ACCOMMODATION

Thrive takes pride in providing comfort and security at all of our accommodations, and our trusted local friends create unique and memorable experiences for our guests. We do our utmost to honor room-type, amenity, and special requests, and to provide you with your ideal experience.

ACTIVITIES

Here at Thrive, we pride ourselves on flexibility, creativity, and personalized service. We encourage you to make your tour your own! If your trip includes an activity that simply doesn't suit your fancy, we'll swap it for something that does. Furthermore, you're welcome to change your mind at any time, including during your adventure, and we'll work with you to craft an itinerary that's custom-built for you. Should you choose to refrain from an included activity, even if it's on a moment's notice, the cost of that activity will be credited or reimbursed less the cost of any down payment required by the activity provider. Finally, our specialty is catering to groups with a variety of interests, and our tours preferentially visit places with a host of options. This means you're able to white water raft a waterfall while your companions sip wine on the beach... or vice versa! The options are endless.

Australia Specific Travel Information



WHAT TO BRING

A full packing list is provided below, but as a rule, pack lightly. Keep it to 1 suitcase and 1 carry-on backpack/daypack; the day pack will be very useful for short excursions.

PACKING CHECKLIST

- o Day pack / backpack (carry on)
- o 1 suitcase / duffle bag
- o Passport
- o Credit / Debit Cards
- o Personal medication (Pack in carry on)
- o Camera (optional)
- o Rain Jacket
- o Towel (microfiber/quick-dry works best for travel, but is not a necessity)
- o Water bottle
- o Sunglasses
- o Sunscreen
- o Sunhat
- o Swimsuit
- o Flashlight / headlamp
- o Sport sandals (e.g. Teva, Chaco; optional, but worthwhile)
- o Flip flops
- o Toiletries
- o Jeans / trousers
- o Shorts
- o T-shirts
- o Sweatshirt or Fleece
- o Socks
- o Underwear
- o Small travel pillow
- o Insect repellent
- o Laundry Bag
- o iPod/MP3 Player
- o Alarm Clock

GUIDES

Think of your Thrive Adventures guide as the brilliant combination of a friend and a caretaker. We know how to have fun, when to keep quiet and let you relax, and how to take care of you should any unexpected challenges occur. You'll spend the entire time enjoying yourself, completely at ease, while we do the rest!



OUTLET ADAPTORS & POWER CONVERTERS

Australia uses a different type of outlet than we do in the US (slanted 3 prong). They also use a different voltage. We use 110V and NZ uses 220V. If you plug a 110V electrical device into a 220V outlet, you WILL fry your device. Most laptops, battery chargers, hair dryers, and cell phone chargers have voltage converters built in. To find out if your device converts power, look on your power cord or device. If it says 110V - 220V (or something close) this means that your device WILL CONVERT the power from one voltage to another and you will only have to have an outlet adaptor to charge your device. If it just says 110V, DON'T PLUG IT IN! You WILL need a converter AND an outlet adaptor. Figure out which devices you would like to bring before you pack and figure out if they need conversion or not. Most travelers will only need adaptors.



PHONE

Cell phones will work in Australia and international calling plans are available through most cell phone service providers. The least expensive option, however, is to buy an interchangeable SIM (Subscriber Identity Module) card. A SIM card is essentially a mini memory chip that contains a subscriber's service information (minutes used, contact list, etc). Check to see if your cell phone runs on a SIM card, and contact your cell phone service provider if necessary. In addition, pay phones and calling cards are readily available once you arrive in Australia.

INTERNET

Internet access is available at most accommodations and is typically your least expensive option. Public internet cafes are also found in cities of moderate size.

SPENDING MONEY & EXTRA COSTS

When it comes to spending money, each traveler is unique. We recommend you allow \$30 - \$60 per day for food and souvenirs, but this is only a guideline and may differ from person to person. The cost of food is slightly higher in Australia, and you may expect to spend AUD 15-25 per meal plus drink costs. Soft drinks are typically AUD 3-4 and beer is typically AUD 4-5. It is possible to eat inexpensively, as burger joints, souvlaki outlets, fish and chips shops, and grocery stores are plentiful.

*Remember: optional activities are not included in the trip cost. Don't forget to include these in your total.

CURRENCY

As most venues in Australia accept credit and check cards, there is no need to carry an abundance of cash. ATM machines are readily available, though they typically require an international transaction fee. Contact your bank for specific fee details and alert them that you will be abroad. Fraud departments will sometimes lock accounts when a transaction is attempted from an unexpected location.

The US dollar is generally close to par with the Australian dollar. [Click here for current exchange rates...](#)
[Online Exchange Rate Table](#)



How to Register



Complete the following two steps to finalize your trip registration:

1. Complete the Registration Forms attached to this document
2. Submit a down payment of \$300 to Thrive Adventures

BOOK ONLINE:

Complete the registration forms provided and email them to al@thriveadventures.com. You may also submit your down payment online at thriveadventures.com/booking.

BOOK BY MAIL:

Complete the registration forms provided, include your \$300 deposit check made out to Thrive Adventures, and mail these to:

THRIVE ADVENTURES
1324 14TH ST
SANTA MONICA, CA 90404

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PAY ONLINE:

ThriveAdventures.com/booking



PAYMENT SCHEDULE:

Down payment: 10% (\$300) due at date of booking
Payment 1: 50% (\$1500) due 8 weeks before departure date
Payment 2: 40% (\$1200) due 4 weeks before departure date

REFUND POLICY:

Down payment: refundable until Payment 1 deadline
Payment 1: refundable until Payment 2 deadline
Payment 2: refundable until date of departure

REFERRALS:

\$100 off your trip total for each person you refer who attends your Thrive Adventure.
\$100 cash for each person you refer who attends another Thrive Adventure.



Client Information Form



This information is for Thrive Adventures booking purposes only

Thrive Adventures will never share your information with anyone

Be sure that indicated information matches your passport. If it does not, you may incur flight delays.

FIRST NAME (as it appears on passport) _____

MIDDLE NAME OR INTIAL (as it appears on passport) _____

LAST NAME (as it appears on passport) _____

DATE OF BIRTH (as it appears on passport) _____

EMAIL _____

PHONE _____

STREET ADDRESS _____

CITY, STATE, ZIP _____

EMERGENCY CONTACT NAME _____

RELATIONSHIP TO CLIENT _____

EMERGENCY CONTACT PHONE _____

WHO REFERRED YOU _____

BOOK MY FLIGHT - Check this box if you would like Thrive Adventures to book your flights for you.

PRE- AND POST-TRIP EXTENSIONS - Check this box if you are interested in extending your stay before or after your adventure.

IMPORTANT

When traveling internationally, your passport expiration date must be at least 6 months PAST your last day of travel





Release of Liability Form

In exchange for participation in your Adventure Tour organized by Thrive LLC ("Thrive Adventures"), of 10276 Hanson Blvd Nw, Coon Rapids, Minnesota, 55433 and/or use of the property, facilities and services provided by Thrive Adventures, I agree for myself and (if applicable) for the members of my family, to the following:

1. I agree to observe and obey all posted rules and warnings, and further agree to follow any oral instructions or directions given by Thrive Adventures, or the employees, representatives or agents of Thrive Adventures.
2. I recognize that there are certain inherent risks associated with the above described activity and I assume full responsibility for personal injury to myself and (if applicable) my family members, and further release and discharge Thrive Adventures for injury, loss or damage arising out of my or my family's use of or presence upon the facilities of Thrive Adventures, whether caused by the fault of myself, my family, Thrive Adventures or other third parties.
3. I agree to indemnify and defend Thrive Adventures against all claims, causes of action, damages, judgments, costs or expenses, including attorney fees and other litigation costs, which may in any way arise from my or my family's use of or presence upon the facilities of Thrive Adventures.
4. I agree to pay for all damages to the facilities provided by or through Thrive Adventures caused by my or my family's negligent, reckless, or willful actions.
5. Any legal or equitable claim that may arise from participation in the above shall be resolved under Minnesota law.

Printed Name of Client: _____

Signature of Client or Legal Guardian: _____

Date: _____

Travel Insurance Form



Travel insurance is recommended, but is not mandatory. You may purchase travel insurance through Thrive Adventures or via an independent company of your choosing. Thrive Adventures works directly with a third-party travel insurance company, Travel Safe Insurance to provide discounted prices for our clients. Upon completion and submission of this form, a quote will be sent to you via email should you wish to receive one. For further information on Travel Safe insurance plans and policies, visit: www.TravelSafe.com.

SEND ME A QUOTE

A QUOTE WILL BE SENT TO YOU VIA EMAIL. *TRAVEL SAFE* REQUIRES THAT INSURANCE BE PURCHASED WITHIN 15 DAYS OF YOUR INITIAL DOWN PAYMENT FOR YOUR TRIP.

DECLINE

BY CHECKING THIS BOX, I CHOOSE TO DECLINE TRAVEL INSURANCE THROUGH THRIVE ADVENTURES, PROVIDED BY *TRAVEL SAFE INSURANCE*. I ACKNOWLEDGE THE RISK INVOLVED IN THIS DECISION AND WILL NOT HOLD THRIVE ADVENTURES LEGALLY OR MONETARILY ACCOUNTABLE FOR ANY UNEXPECTED INTERFERENCE WITH MY PLANNED TRIP.

OR

I HAVE PURCHASED TRAVEL INSURANCE FROM ANOTHER PROVIDER AND WILL NOT HOLD THRIVE ADVENTURES LEGALLY OR MONETARILY ACCOUNTABLE FOR ANY UNEXPECTED INTERFERENCE WITH MY PLANNED TRIP.

Printed Name of Client: _____

Signature of Client or Legal Guardian: _____

Date: _____

Medical History Form



Thrive Adventures requests the following information in order to be prepared in case of an emergency and to provide assurance of the safety of our clients. This form is, however, optional; your comfort and confidentiality is paramount to us. Thrive Adventures combined guide certifications include National Registry EMT & Wilderness Certification, U.S. Army First Aid certification, and American Red Cross Wilderness and Remote First Aid certification.

Please list allergies to medications, food, and/or environmental/seasonal substances

Allergen:

Description of Reaction:

Have you ever experienced an allergic reaction with throat swelling or difficulty breathing? If yes, please describe the event and list the allergen.

Do you carry an EpiPen? yes no

Please list any medical conditions that may limit your ability to perform mild to moderate activity (e.g. hiking)

Please list any medications you currently take, whether daily or on an intermittent basis
