

The Fly Dive Cod Hole showcases the best of the Great Barrier Reef featuring:

- A spectacular low-flying start to Lizard Island,
- Prime Ribbon Reef sites,
- Best fish & coral biodiversity,
- The world famous Cod Hole,
- Outstanding marine life biodiversity,
- All dives over 100 miles north of Cairns,
- Guaranteed access to restricted dive sites,
- 50% reduced cruise time and within sheltered waters,
- Superior vessel stability in adverse weather conditions,
- Minke Whales (Jun/Jul).



What awaits you?

Imagine yourself on a spectacular 'flying start' to Lizard Island. On the way you will have a birds-eye view of the Great Barrier Reef. Half of your 150 mile flight is at a very low 180 metres (600ft) above the sites you will dive along the Great Barrier Reef's continental shelf. A truly spectacular beginning to your expedition.



Lizard Island

See where the famous English navigator James Cook climbed in 1770 to find a way out of the labyrinth of reefs. Naturalist Joseph Banks lamented that he had too little time to study the wealth of strange creatures he saw in the waters of the Great Barrier Reef. Will you have time to record the wealth of creatures you find?



The turquoise chain of Ribbon Reefs

This 55 mile chain of reefs from Lizard Island to Cooktown is the most prized dive region of Australia's Great Barrier Reef. This is where you can see more of the Great Barrier Reef's 1,500 fish and 400 coral species than elsewhere. The currents that channel between the ribbon reefs attract large fish populations.



Exciting Marine Life Encounters

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Diver size fish at the Cod Hole!

The Cod Hole is home to a family of 'diver sized' potato cod; incredibly inquisitive and often boisterous, these beautiful fish will wow you with their mere presence. Fantastic close up photographs or simply hanging out, either way you'll be left with an indelible impression of these magnificent characters.



Snake Pit

An isolated platform reef shoaling up to form a number of deep coral bommies festooned with multi coloured crinoids. Olive sea snakes are commonly found and are both very curious and very complacent, allowing the more adventurous diver and photographer to get very close indeed! It is also common to sight a variety of ray species, cuttlefish and turtles.



Lighthouse Bommie

Big schools of brightly coloured yellow and blue snapper cruise the top of an adjacent reef, while numerous species of anemone fish have also made it their home. During minke whale season (June to August) this is one of the best spots to see these magnificent creatures.



Goggle Gardens & Vertical Gardens

Goggle Gardens is a diverse site requiring more than one dive; spectacular coral formations rise from the depths of the ancient 'starky river' adorning walls, bommies and sandy flats to the reef edge crevasses. Vertical Gardens is only accessible on a handful of days every year: this dive site is home to a herd of large green bump head parrotfish.



Steve's Bommie

On the final day, you will find yourself at one of the Great Barrier Reef's best and most popular sites, Steve's Bommie. This site is a photographers dream! It's hard to put into the words the quantity and variety of Great Barrier Reef fish and corals that you will see here. A showcase of the best of the best.



Returning to Cairns

Disembark Thursday 8:00am at Trinity Wharf, Cairns.

Courtesy transfers are provided from the vessel to the Mike Ball office, inner city hotel locations and the Cairns Domestic and International Airports.

Dive Site Guarantee!

Spoilsport's outstanding stability minimizes disruption to your itinerary and your scuba diving experience. If weather forces an itinerary change we divert to the best, 'safe, accessible sites' to ensure you get the best scuba diving available. 9% of Coral Sea itineraries are diverted to the Great Barrier Reef.

All itinerary details are subject to change, specific marine life cannot be guaranteed.