



Cairns is the only destination in the world where two World Heritage-Listed wonders lie side-by-side – the Great Barrier Reef (GBR) and Australia’s Wet Tropics Rainforest. Cairns also offers access to Port Douglas, located a scenic one-hour drive away.

INSTITUTE OF TROPICAL HEALTH AND MEDICINE

Cairns is home to the Institute of Tropical Health and Medicine, offering programs encompassing public health, bi-molecular, clinical, and translational health systems research. Research is conducted across several James Cook University centres, exploring key areas including tropical infectious diseases, health security and biosecurity, chronic disorders with high prevalence in the tropics, genetic diseases and health services in regional and remote communities.

KEY INDUSTRY SECTORS



TROPICAL HEALTH & MEDICINE



BIOTECHNOLOGY & BIO FERTILISER



TOURISM



AGRICULTURE



EDUCATION



CONSTRUCTION

CAIRNS CONVENTION CENTRE

Exhibition space: 4,055 sqm

Meeting rooms: 22

Total capacity: 5,000 people

Walking distance to city centre: 18 minutes

Cairns Convention Centre is undergoing a AUD 176 million expansion which includes an additional 3,000 square metres of exhibition and meeting space, scheduled for completion in 2019.

EVENT EXPERTISE

- ▶ International Union of Pure and Applied Chemistry World Polymer Congress 2018
- ▶ International Symposium on Industrial Electronics 2018
- ▶ 2018 Asian-Australasian Conference on Composite Materials

PLANNING



ACCESS

Cairns International Airport is a 10-minute drive to the city centre. The airport is serviced by eight international airlines, with direct flights from Asia. All major domestic carriers connect Cairns directly to Australia’s capital cities.



ACCOMMODATION

Over 7,100 hotel rooms within the city centre and another 620 in development.



KEY DEVELOPMENTS

Four new luxury hotels are currently in development as part of the Crystalbrook Collection. Within the city centre, Riley (311 rooms) is set for completion in 2018, Bailey (220 rooms) in mid-2019, and Flynn (311 rooms) in 2020. As part of the expansion of the Port Douglas Marina, the Port Douglas property is set for completion in 2020 (125 rooms).

KEY EXPERIENCES

- ▶ **Offsite venues:**
 - ***Ochre Restaurant:** Capacity for 150 seated guests, waterfront venue.
 - ***Cairns Aquarium & Reef Research Centre:** Capacity for 220 seated guests, the new AUD 54 million three-level centre has a 70,000-litre floor-to-ceiling tank.
- ▶ **World Heritage-Listed experience:** Dive deep into one of the natural wonders of the world -the Great Barrier Reef. Spend a day discovering the Reef on any number of vessels and anchored pontoons.



WEATHER



Season	Average max temp
Summer Dec - Feb	32°C 90°F
Autumn Mar - May	31°C 88°F
Winter Jun - Aug	27°C 81°F
Spring Sep - Nov	31°C 88°F

