

## Cycle Queensland 2018 Accommodation Package

### Discover the Tropics

Saturday 01 September, 2018 to Sunday 09 September, 2018

### Day to Day

Wake up every morning in a nice comfortable bed, enjoy breakfast in your motel before heading out on the day's ride. The AllTrails crew will transfer your luggage directly from your accommodation to your next motel or BnB. After you have completed your day's challenge on the Cycle Queensland Bike Ride, relax upon arrival at your motel, enjoy afternoon tea and perhaps have our bike mechanic look over your bike for a few tips or minor adjustments that you could make to improve your ride. Why not enjoy a massage a few times during the week just to keep the body in tune?

All of these services are part of our support package, not to mention the social interaction and camaraderie that is always a highlight for those on our packages. In the evening our bus will usually head back to the event campsite so you can join in the dinner and entertainment, or we may organise a group meal, or you may wish to have a meal at the motel or a local restaurant with new friends. Off to bed for a great night sleep before doing it all again tomorrow.

Location	Distance	Date	B	L	D	A
Cape Tribulation (pre tour)	NA	Fri 31 Aug 2018	--	--	--	--
Cape Tribulation (arrival day)	NA	Sat 1 Sep 2018	--	--	--	Y
Cape Tribulation to Daintree Village	47km	Sun 2 Sep 2018	Y	--	--	Y
Daintree Village to Port Douglas	66km	Mon 3 Sep 2018	Y	--	--	Y
Port Douglas to Mt Molloy	49km	Tue 4 Sep 2018	Y	--	--	Y
Mt Molloy to Atherton	87km	Wed 5 Sep 2018	Y	--	--	Y
Atherton Rest Day	NA	Thu 6 Sep 2018	Y	--	--	Y
Atherton to Millaa Millaa	86km	Fri 7 Sep 2018	Y	--	--	Y
Millaa Millaa to Gordonvale	85km	Sat 8 Sep 2018	Y	--	--	Y
Gordonvale to Cairns	28km	Sun 9 Sep 2018	Y	--	--	--
Total distance cycled	448km		8	0	0	8
Average daily distance	64km					

Meal and accom inclusions noted as B, L, D, A (Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner, Accom)

### **Cape Tribulation (pre tour) — NA — Fri 31 Aug 2018 — - - - -**

Most cyclists will be arriving tomorrow (Saturday) however AllTrails will be driving our bus from Cairns Airport to Cape Tribulation approx 12:30pm (details to be confirmed). AllTrails package participants are welcome to join us. If you come on the bus with us you will need to purchase the extra night of pre-tour accom in Cape Trib for the Friday night.

### **Cape Tribulation (arrival day) — NA — Sat 1 Sep 2018 — - - - A**

Most cyclists will arrive today. Tonight's accommodation is included in our package price. Our motel is centrally located 1km from the event campsite and we will be taking bus transfers where required back to camp for registration and also to pick up cyclists arriving on Cycle QLD buses. This afternoon we will have registration and orientation and our mechanic will be available to assist in putting bikes together after travel if required. Tonight the AllTrails staff will be having dinner at our accom and have arranged an optional BBQ dinner (\$25) for anyone who wishes to join us. Select and pay on the entry form. You are also welcome to head down to camp for dinner instead to check out the CQ site and soak up some of the atmosphere.

### **Cape Tribulation to Daintree Village — 47km — Sun 2 Sep 2018 — B - - A**

Get ready for Day One! After breakfast in your accommodation pack up your bags and leave them out for us to take to your next destination then head out on the ride to burn off your excitement. Starting in the world heritage listed Daintree Rainforest you'll meander down the coastline, keeping out of the way of crocs and cassowaries on your way to Daintree Village for the first official overnight campsite. You'll have an optional stop at the Jurassic Forest where you can fully explore the raw, prehistoric beauty of the mighty Daintree Rainforest. After the day's ride we will arrive in Daintree Village which is a small town not big enough to hold our group. We will set up a bike compound at the event campsite then transfer cyclists ahead to our Port Douglas resort accom where you will enjoy two wonderful nights. Once at the Port Douglas resort, put your feet up and enjoy afternoon tea or perhaps a lovely 10 minute massage by our therapist. Something not quite right with your bike today? Our mechanic is on hand to fix up any minor issues that may arise with your wheels. Given that we are staying away from camp tonight we will not be running a bus back to the event site for dinner. Instead we have arranged an optional 'camaraderie dinner' for the group which is a great way to get to know your fellow AllTrails cyclists and the crew (book this as an optional extra on the booking form - \$40). If you would prefer, you can make your way into the Port Douglas township (5km) for dinner. What a great start to the week.

### **Daintree Village to Port Douglas — 66km — Mon 3 Sep 2018 — B - - A**

This morning we will transfer cyclists back to Daintree Village to start the ride. Don't worry about packing your bags as you will end up back in Port Douglas tonight again. From Daintree Village, you will experience more of the FNQ

coastline on your way to Port Douglas, where the ancient rainforest meets the coral sea. Take the afternoon off to explore the Great Barrier Reef or just relax by the water's edge and soak up the spring sunshine. Alternatively, get back in the saddle and head back up the road to explore pristine rainforest, cool streams, towering mountains and the dramatic Mossman Gorge – whatever you decide, you won't be disappointed. Our resort is approximately 5km from the Port Douglas township itself where once again our massage therapist will be on hand to rub down any aching muscles and our mechanic available for bike tune-ups. Tonight we will be taking our bus back to the campsite for dinner or you can take advantage of the many resort facilities and head out for dinner in one of the restaurants onsite or one of the many other dinner options in Port Douglas.

#### **Port Douglas to Mt Molloy — 49km — Tue 4 Sep 2018 — B - - A**

Pack up your bags this morning after breakfast and leave them at reception. Leaving Port Douglas will be a leisurely experience with a short but challenging 49km ride. We recommend a relaxed morning exploring the town, cafes and anything you may have overlooked before tackling the Rex Range and starting the ascent to the Atherton Tablelands. Our destination is the quaint township of Mount Molloy. With a population of less than 300, the arrival of the bike ride will triple the population for the night. Mt Molloy again is a very small town with no accom for our group so we will set up a bike compound at the event site and transfer cyclists ahead to the next major town. Have you had a massage yet? If not, make sure you put your name down on this list this afternoon - with a big day of riding planned for tomorrow you'll want to be in good shape and rearing to go. Tonight we will again take advantage of the distance from camp to arrange a second 'camaraderie dinner' at our motel. This is an optional dinner (book through the 'optional extras' section on the booking form - \$35) and there are other options in town, however due to distance, we will not be taking a bus transfer back to camp tonight.

#### **Mt Molloy to Atherton — 87km — Wed 5 Sep 2018 — B - - A**

This morning we start with an early breakfast before you pack up your bags and we take you back to Mt Molloy for your day's ride. Departing Mount Molloy, you'll spend the morning riding south along the Mulligan Highway into Mareeba, a multi-cultural district rich in wildlife, museums, coffee and the all-important wine. The town has a history going back to the gold mining days so be sure to stop in at the Heritage Museum to learn more about the local area's incredibly rich and fascinating history. Once through Mareeba you'll ride some quiet back roads past masses of granite boulders, banana plantations and possibly the odd rock wallaby. You'll share your lunch with some peacocks before continuing your journey into Atherton where you'll have ridden at least 87km and climbed 730m for the day - it sounds like a well-deserved rest day is on the cards. We have great central accommodation for your two-night stay in Atherton. This evening we will take a bus back to camp for you to enjoy the pre-rest day festivities and fun at the campground - otherwise there are a bunch of restaurants to explore for your dinner in town.

#### **Atherton Rest Day — NA — Thu 6 Sep 2018 — B - - A**

Today is the rest day and your opportunity to explore, relax or a combination of both. This morning we will have our massage therapists working at the motel so if you have not had a massage yet, make sure you put up your hand and put your name on the list. We expect that most cyclists will get 3-4 massages during the week (10 minutes each). Atherton is gourmet food & wine country, so there will be plenty of opportunity for food and wine tasting if that's your thing. Take some time to look into tour options around Atherton for your rest day. There are plenty of options in and around the town itself and plenty more slightly further afield. Bicycle QLD always arrange some great deals with local operators so keep your eyes peeled for those on the Cycle QLD website.

### **Atherton to Millaa Millaa — 86km — Fri 7 Sep 2018 — B - - A**

After your rest day you will be ready to get back on the road, so after breakfast pack up your bags and leave them out for us to take in our vehicles to your next destination. The second half of the tour kicks off with a bang. A solid 86km ride with almost 1200m of climbing will see you reach the highest town in Queensland before embarking on the final 20km along of the Old Palmerston Highway, arriving at the rolling green meadows of Millaa Millaa, home to the most photographed falls in Australia (Millaa Millaa Falls). Millaa Millaa is a beautiful little town. Despite being small, we have managed to locate a range of smaller accommodation locations around town for our group so we will be spread out tonight but reasonably close to the event campsite so we will run our bus back to camp for dinner as usual. We will also have massage available at the largest of the motels - any cyclists staying in other locations are welcome to come to the massage motel.

### **Millaa Millaa to Gordonvale — 85km — Sat 8 Sep 2018 — B - - A**

After breakfast, the penultimate day for 2018 is another solid ride with a distance of 85km and another 900m of climbing. Today will take you past the Millaa Millaa Falls first thing before arriving in the quaint township of Malanda and then on to Lake Eacham for a late morning swim. The descent to Gordonvale will be one to remember with 800m of descent over 17km – an experience you should start training for. Upon arrival in Gordonvale today we will have our bike compound ready for you to park your bikes at the campsite and we will transport cyclists the short distance ahead to Cairns township where our massage therapist will be working and your luggage will be ready for you to check in. This evening we will take our bus back to the event campsite for the final night festivities and the traditional C&Q party or you may choose to lash out with a final celebratory dinner with your AllTrails friends in Cairns.

### **Gordonvale to Cairns — 28km — Sun 9 Sep 2018 — B - - -**

Your final breakfast is included before we take you back to Gordonvale for the last leg of the ride to the humming tropical centre of Cairns, arriving in along the waterfront and finishing beside the Cairns Lagoon. Leave your luggage in your room this morning though as we have arranged a late checkout (11am). You will have plenty of time to enjoy your ride back to Cairns, perhaps a swim in the lagoon, then enjoy a hot shower and change of clothes before you head off for the day.

Congratulations on your efforts to get here! Whether you intend to fly out of Cairns Airport this afternoon or stay around a while to enjoy this wonderful location, we thank you for the privilege of hosting your most memorable fully supported cycling holiday.