

# The Whitsunday Islands and Great Barrier Reef

## Sail & Cruise



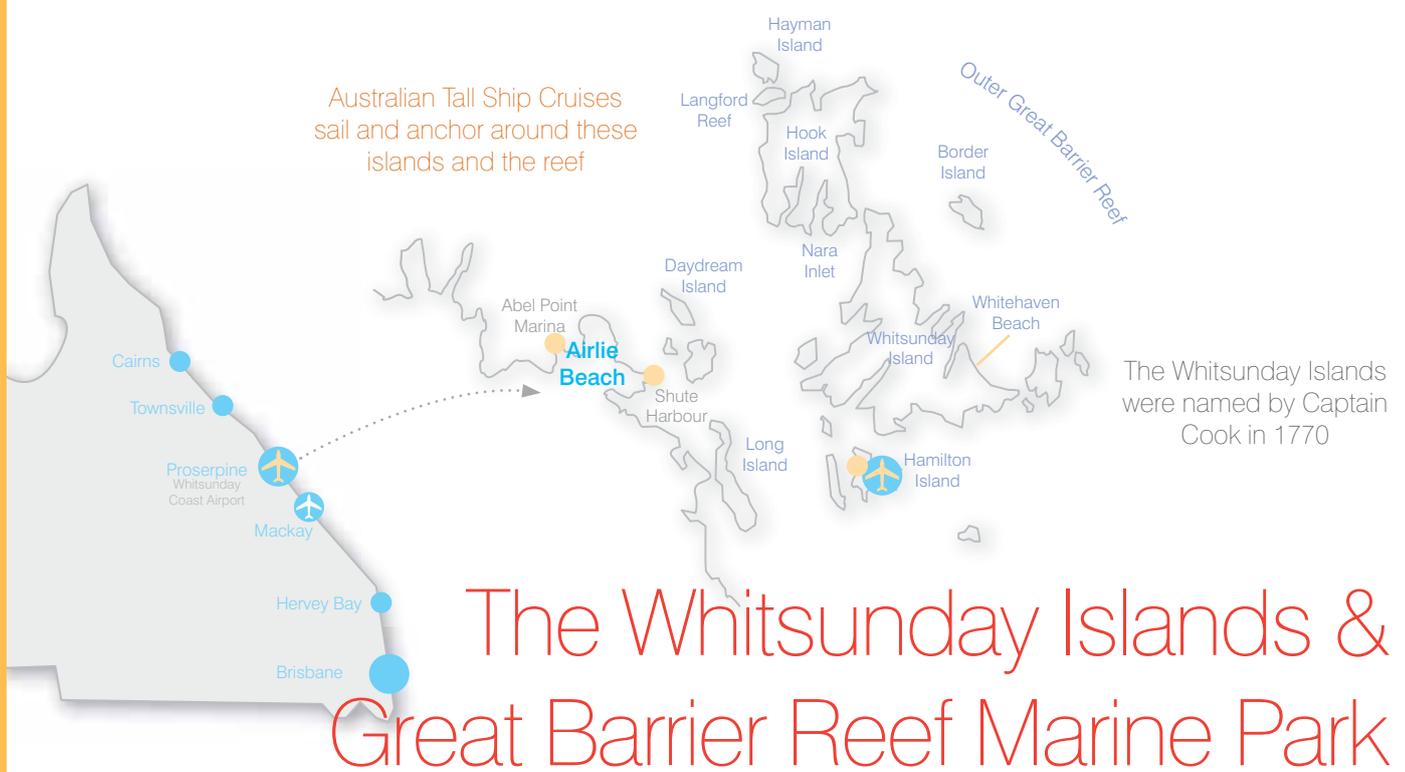
Solway Lass

'Adventure' Tall Ship

Whitsunday Magic

'Deluxe' Schooner





# The Whitsunday Islands & Great Barrier Reef Marine Park



Introducing your Deluxe Cruise or Tall Ship Adventure

The Whitsunday Islands offer a treasure-trove of colourful sights, scenes and activities, nestled right in the centre of the World Heritage Listed **Great Barrier Reef Marine Park**. The marine park is home to 1500 species of fish, 400 species of corals, 6 species of turtles and 215 species of birds. Between July and October, Humpback Whales make the Whitsunday Islands home.

**Australian Tall Ship Cruises** is an owner-operated company with 20 years of chartering experience. Our professional crew will safely navigate the vessel to beautiful islands, anchorages and coral reefs. You will visit unforgettably pristine locations. The magical Whitsunday Islands have many smooth-water bays and coves, so overnight anchorages are calm and pleasant for sleeping.

Each day will offer new and exciting experiences ... there is time to SNORKEL coral reefs, visit stunning BEACHES including the world famous Whitehaven Beach, and go for island bush WALKS. For those guests wishing to SCUBA DIVE, we will meet with a Dive Boat and introductory or certified dives are available.

While underway, sit back and take in the extraordinary scenery and, if you feel inclined, help the crew... pull the lines ... trim the sails ... and learn about sailing.

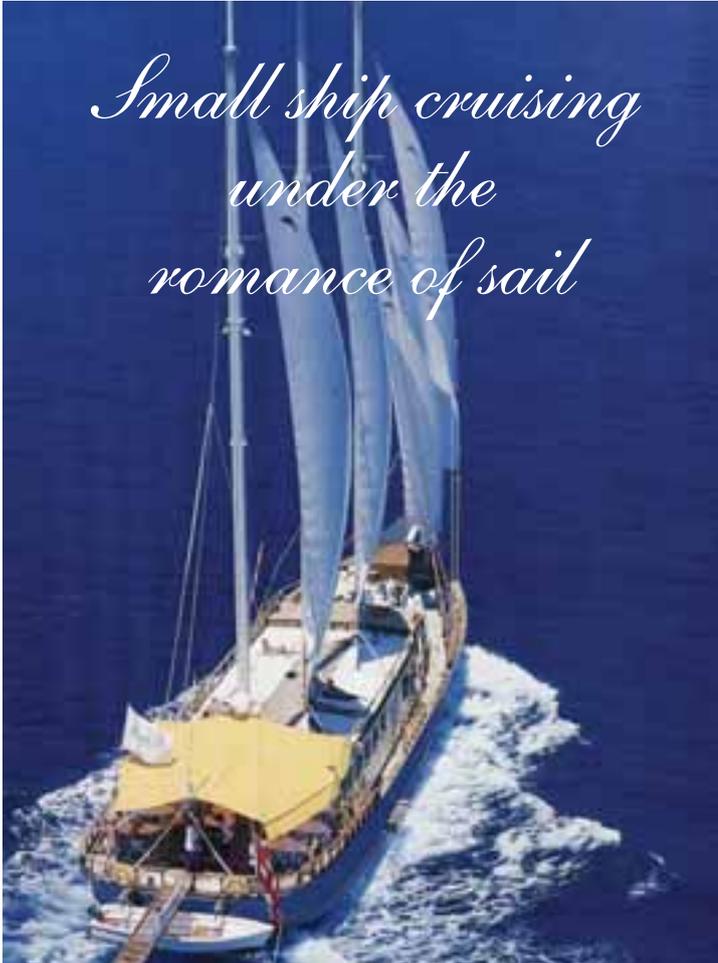
Our philosophy is to keep it casual so your tour is relaxing and memorable.



**New Tour Cruising  
from April 2005**

# Whitsunday Magic

## Deluxe Sailing Tours



*Small ship cruising  
under the  
romance of sail*

### 6 Day / 6 Night Outer Reef and Island Experience

3 Day / 3 Night Barrier Reef or Whitsunday Island Tours also available

Whitsunday Magic is a purpose built, Mediterranean style 3 Masted Deluxe Schooner offering the more discerning traveller cruises around the Whitsunday Islands and Outer Great Barrier Reef.

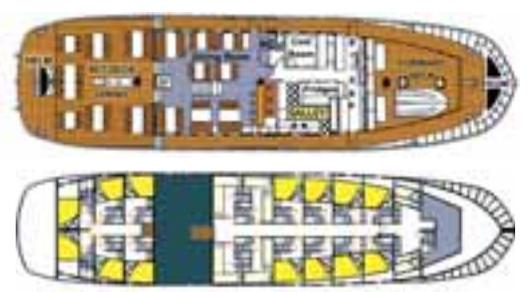
Experience comfort and style on the Whitsundays' largest and most unique sailing vessel.

Features include:

18 Air conditioned cabins each with toilet, basin, hot shower and 240 volt AC power. Formal air conditioned Dining Room and Bar, TV and DVDs, large aft shaded lunch / viewing deck, bow net, cabin-top observation / sun deck with mattresses, glass bottom tender for coral and reef viewing. Professional Crew, including onboard chef to prepare gourmet cuisine not to be missed. Full bar facility and onboard cellar – if you have a favourite wine request from the cellar, please ask us at the time of booking.



Length	35m
Breadth	7.8m
Depth	3.0m
Speed	9.0 knots
Twin Main Engines	
No. of guests	38



Lower deck: double, twin and share cabins  
All cabins air conditioned with own bathroom

# Solway Lass

## Tall Ship Adventure Tours

**3 Day / 3 Night Whitsunday Island Tours**  
**Combine two for a 6 Day / 6 Night Island Experience**

Solway Lass is a 2 Masted Topsail Schooner built in Holland in 1902 offering Whitsunday Island cruises. This magnificent Tall Ship is maintained in beautiful condition and reflects the crew's love and respect for this traditional, century-old sailing vessel. Life on Board is fun, and you may even find the crew dressing as pirates.

Features include:

Solway Lass is square rigged with 11 sails, 11 air conditioned Cabins appointed in oak and cedar with brass lamps, double beds or single bunk beds with personal reading lamps, separate male/female Bathrooms with vanities, large mirrors, 240 volt power and hot showers. Comfortable Bar and Lounge area, mid ship Shaded Dining / Viewing Deck, Bow Net to lay in and listen to the water lap the bow as we sail peacefully along, Tarzan Rope Swing, for those feeling courageous. Our professional crew will prepare fresh, healthy and plentiful meals.

Guests have plenty of deck space to sunbake or relax undisturbed.



- Served as decoy Q-Ship for Britain in WWI.
- The name Solway Lass comes from Scotland where in the 1920s she carried granite to ports like Liverpool. The granite was used for Cobblestone Streets.
- Served as a supply ship for Germany in WWII.
- Worked as cargo ship around Fiji Islands during the 1970s.
- Sydney's tall ship from 1983 to 1998.
- Whitsunday Island tours since 1999.
- Celebrated 100th birthday in April 2002.

Length	28m
Breadth	6.0m
Depth	2.5m
Speed	7.0 knots
Square Rigged	11 sails
No. of guests	32 + 6 crew



Air Conditioned Double/Twin or Share Cabins. Note: some Doubles have a Single above, and these are used as doubles or twins. They are also ideal if guests want a 3 share cabin.



## Sailing & Accommodation Ideas

Whether your preferred style of accommodation is an Island Resort, or on the mainland, in 3 or 4 star Hotels, Apartments, B&B or Backpackers, there are sailing and accommodation options available.

Why not spend a week or longer in Airlie Beach & The Whitsundays ... we are sure you will appreciate how relaxing and beautiful the area is.

The following ideas can be tailored to suit your needs, extended or reduced depending on your holiday plans.

**9 Nights – Whitsunday Magic . Fly to Proserpine on Friday morning**, arrive in Airlie Beach at 1pm and check in for sailing. At 3pm our Courtesy Bus will take you to Whitsunday Magic for a 6 night deluxe cruise to the Outer Great Barrier Reef and around the islands, returning to Airlie Beach Thursday at 11am. Spend three nights in Airlie Beach before flying home Sunday. This option can be adjusted slightly, we can drop you at Daydream Island at 9am on Thursday and you spend three nights on the resort. Sunday, take a ferry to Hamilton Island or Shute Harbour for your flight home.

**6 Nights – Solway Lass. Fly to Proserpine on Saturday morning**, arrive in Airlie Beach at 1pm and check in for sailing. Leave your luggage in our office, and go for a swim at the lagoon or take a walk around Airlie Beach. At 6pm our Courtesy Bus will transfer you to Solway Lass for a 3 night cruise around the Whitsunday islands, returning Tuesday at 4.30pm. Then spend three nights in Airlie Beach with a day relaxing at the tropical lagoon; a visit to Cedar Creek Falls; or just enjoying our wonderful friendly village atmosphere. Fly home Friday.

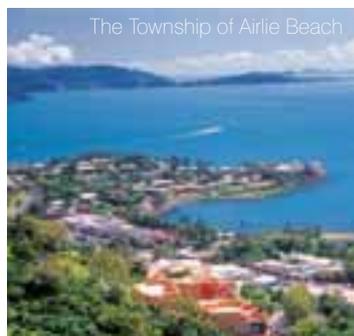
**Week-end Escape – Whitsunday Magic. Fly to Proserpine on Friday morning**, arrive in Airlie Beach at 1pm and check in for briefing. At 3pm our Courtesy Bus will transfer you to Whitsunday Magic for a 3 night deluxe cruise to the Outer Barrier Reef & Whitehaven Beach. Monday morning at 11am, we call into Hamilton Island Marina, and you can choose to fly home today, or extend your week-end by spending a night or two on Hamilton Island before flying home.

**Honeymoon – Whitsunday Magic. Fly to Hamilton Island on Sunday**, overnight on the island and at 11am on Monday morning board Whitsunday Magic at Hamilton Island Marina for a deluxe cruise around the Whitsunday Islands and Whitehaven Beach. At 9am on Thursday transfer to Daydream Island; spend two nights at the resort. Saturday take a ferry to Hamilton Island or Shute Harbour for your flight home. Alternatively, on Thursday morning, hop off at Daydream Island, and catch a ferry to Hamilton Island and spend two nights on the island before flying home.

### Group Charters

At Australian Tall Ship Cruises we can organise private charters for any special event. Solway Lass is available during daylight hours on Saturdays for day charters. Weddings and Birthdays are very popular. For day charters, we can carry 75 guests on Solway Lass and 100 guests on Whitsunday Magic.

With extended charters we can tailor schedules to meet customer needs. Solway Lass and Whitsunday Magic can sail together as a flotilla. We can sleep up to 75 guests.





## Travel to Whitsundays

Airlie Beach is located 1150kms north of Brisbane & 630kms south of Cairns.

**By ROAD** – follow the Bruce Highway. The turn off to Airlie Beach is at Proserpine.

Express Coach services are available with Greyhound or Premier.

All major Car Hire companies have agencies in Airlie Beach.

**By PLANE** – flights are available from Brisbane, Sydney and Melbourne to Whitsunday Coast Airport (near Proserpine), or Hamilton Island Airport.

**TRANSFERS** – Whitsunday Coast Airport. Coach, Shuttle, or Taxi services meet each flight, and it takes approximately 35 minutes to get to Airlie Beach. From Hamilton Island Airport transfers to Shute Harbour are available with Blue Ferries, or via a light plane to the mainland with Island Air Taxis. Then transfer to Airlie Beach via Coach or Taxi.

## Departures

**SOLWAY LASS** departs & returns to I from Abel Point Marina at Airlie Beach.

**WHITSUNDAY MAGIC.** The Reef Cruise departs from Abel Point Marina at Airlie Beach, while the Island Cruise departs from Hamilton Island or Shute Harbour (11kms from Airlie Beach). For guests flying, this provides options for flying into or out of Hamilton Island Airport or Whitsunday Coast Airport on the mainland. You may find the best option is to fly into Whitsunday Coast Airport and out from Hamilton Island Airport or vice-versa.

## Tour Inclusions & Prices

We supply experienced, fully qualified, professional crew. Meals: All meals, while on tour, plus Morning and Afternoon Tea, Pre-dinner Platters, Deserts, Tea and Coffee. We will cater for all special dietary needs. Transfers from Airlie Beach to board your tour at Abel Point Marina or Shute Harbour, snorkel gear, linen, accommodation in twin, double or share air conditioned cabins. We are confident that you will find the tour prices good value for money.

**Additional Charges:** Marine & National Park Entrance Fees, Alcohol and Soft Drinks from the Bar; Scuba Diving. We also hire out Wet Suits. We recommend that guests have travel insurance to protect against last minute cancellations or loss of personal valuables. For extra information on tour inclusions & itineraries, see your Travel Agent.

Guests are asked to pack in a soft bag. Please bring:

- swimmers • beach towel
- sunscreen • sunglasses
- camera • spare film
- hat • sandals or joggers
- jacket/sweater
- favourite music CDs

Solway Lass		Per Person Price AUD (til 31/3/06)
Duration		
3 day/3night	Departs 7.30pm Saturday and Tuesday	Share Cabin \$429
	Returns 4.15pm Tuesday and Friday	Db/Twin Cabin \$449
6 day/6 night	Departs 7.30pm Saturday Returns 4.15pm Friday	Share Cabin \$799
	(2 x 3 night cruises with mixed itinerary)	Db/Twin Cabin \$839

Whitsunday Magic		Per Person Price AUD (til 31/3/06)
Duration		
6 day/6 night Reef & Island Cruise	Departs 3.30pm Friday from Abel Point Marina	Share Cabin \$1195
	Airlie Beach. Returns 11am Thursday to	Db/Twin Cabin \$1395
	Abel Point Marina	Sole Use of Cabin \$2000
3 day/3night Reef Cruise	Departs 3.30pm Friday from Abel Point Marina,	Share Cabin \$670
	Airlie Beach. Returns 11.00am Monday to	Db/Twin Cabin \$730
	Hamilton Island or 1pm to Shute Harbour	Sole Use of Cabin \$1080
3 day/3 night Island Cruise	Departs 11.30am Monday from Hamilton Island or	Share Cabin \$620
	2.45 pm from Shute Harbour	Db/Twin Cabin \$690
	Returns 11.00 Thursday to Abel Point Marina	Sole Use of Cabin \$1040

Guests boarding from Airlie Beach or Shute Harbour are asked to check in for a tour briefing at least 2 hours before departure at:

**Shop 1, 4 The Esplanade, Airlie Beach.** Marine & National Park Entrance Fees are payable during Check-in. A map and checklist and full terms and conditions can be found on our website. Cancellations must be notified 72 hours in advance otherwise full payment will be forfeited. Prior to 72 hours, cancellation fees will apply. We reserve the right to substitute vessels, if required.

Your local agent for tour bookings is:

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