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Australia - Whitsundays

Yacht Charter Guide

CRAFTING SIGNATURE CHARTER YACHT EXPERIENCES

Best Yacht Charter Australia - Whitsundays
Region: Pacific
Gateways: HTI - PPP
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AUSTRALIA - WHITSUNDAYS

Overview

Australia - Whitsundays remains one of the world's most requested yacht charter ecosystems - short legs between Whitehaven & Hill Inlet, dense shore life around Abel Point Marina, Airlie Beach, and berths that reward early planning. The challenge is not finding beauty; it is sequencing marinas, Whitehaven Beach and tables like Northerlies Kitchen so the week feels effortless. This is the broker's operational view of Australia - Whitsundays for the current season.

Private yacht charter in Australia - Whitsundays via HTI / PPP. Charter a yacht for a week - berths, day-anchors and shore days by Blue Ocean Club.

AIRPORTS	HTI, PPP
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WHEN TO GO

Season & rhythm

- How a Australia - Whitsundays week actually runs.: A choreographed operation - Abel Point Marina, Airlie Beach, tenders and tables locked before wheels-down.
- Embark ready: APA open, crew briefed, transfer timed to Abel Point Marina, Airlie Beach.
- Coastal cadence: Morning toys at Whitehaven Beach, held lunch, short reposition through Whitehaven & Hill Inlet, quiet overnight.
- Concierge lock: Northerlies Kitchen and Whitehaven Beach setups confirmed weeks out.
- When to berth. When to anchor.: In Australia - Whitsundays, quay nights buy access; hook nights buy privacy.
- Quay nights: Harbour energy at Abel Point Marina, Airlie Beach, walk-ashore dinners, event visibility.
- At anchor: Whitehaven Beach - swim platforms, quiet mornings, tender-only shore calls.
- The usual play: One or two quay nights; the rest swinging in protected water.

ON THE WATER

Cruising grounds

Whitehaven & Hill Inlet
Silica beach day-anchors - iconic photos.

Hook & Hardy outer reef
Outer reef weather-window days.

Southern islands
Hamilton, Dent and Lindeman loops.

Northern group
Hook, Hayman and Langford.

QUAY NIGHTS

Marinas & berthing

Abel Point Marina, Airlie Beach
Primary Whitsundays embark marina. - Max LOA ~50 m - Draft ~4 m - Gateway PPP - Transfer 30-45 min from PPP - Peak lead: 4-12 weeks for peak season slips

Hamilton Island Marina
Island marina with airport - popular embark. - Max LOA ~80 m - Draft ~5 m - Gateway HTI - Transfer 5-15 min from HTI - Peak lead: 4-12 weeks for peak season slips

Coral Sea Marina, Airlie
Airlie Beach alternative berths. - Max LOA ~40 m - Draft ~3.5 m - Gateway PPP - Transfer 30-45 min from PPP - Peak lead: 4-12 weeks for peak season slips

DAY WATER

Anchorages

Whitehaven Beach
Silica sand day - early arrival.

Hill Inlet lookout tender
Tide-dependent sand patterns.

Butterfly Bay, Hook
Protected north Hook overnight.

Langford Reef
Sandspit day-stop.

Nara Inlet
Aboriginal art cave tender - Aboriginal land respect.

SHORE TABLES

Restaurants

Northerlies Kitchen
Airlie Beach
Airlie waterfront.

Mariners Restaurant
Airlie Beach
Abel Point dining.

Coca Chu / Hamilton
Hamilton Island
Island dining.

Romanos Hamilton
Hamilton Island
Island Italian.

Manta Ray Cafe
Airlie Beach
Airlie casual.

DAY ASHORE

Beach clubs

Whitehaven Beach setups
Whitsundays
Iconic sand day lounging.

Hayman Island beach
Hayman
North resort beach day.

Hamilton Island beaches
Hamilton Island
Catseye and Cove sand.

TRANSFERS

Airport to gangway.

We choreograph HTI / PPP arrivals into Abel Point Marina, Airlie Beach transfers.

Helicopter / GA
Private hops from HTI / PPP when Australia - Whitsundays supports coastal helipads or GA strips. HTI corridor PPP corridor

Chauffeur
SUV / S-Class briefed on Abel Point Marina, Airlie Beach gates - timed to embarkation. To Abel Point Marina, Airlie Beach (30-45 min from PPP) To Hamilton Island Marina (5-15 min from HTI)

Door-to-deck options are confirmed against your embarkation slot.

NUMBERS - AUSTRALIA - WHITSUNDAYS

VAT & APA - Australia - Whitsundays short version.

On a Australia - Whitsundays charter the base fee is only the starting line. Budget tax treatment and a realistic APA before you lock dates.

VAT / tax
Australia applies GST (10%) on yacht charter; Great Barrier Reef Marine Park fees and permits are APA extras.

APA
For Australia - Whitsundays in high season, budget APA at roughly 25-35% of the base charter fee covering fuel, berths, food and concierge extras.

What we send PAs
A line-item estimate before deposit, then a live APA report from the captain during the week.

WITHIN THIS COAST

Local guides

Hamilton Island

Hamilton Island is a core Australia - Whitsundays charter stop - marina nights, day-anchors and shore tables we hold in advance. Berth context: Abel Point Marina, Airlie Beach - Day-anchor: Whitehaven Beach - Table: Northerlies Kitchen

Whitehaven

Whitehaven is a core Australia - Whitsundays charter stop - marina nights, day-anchors and shore tables we hold in advance. Berth context: Hamilton Island Marina - Day-anchor: Hill Inlet lookout tender - Table: Mariners Restaurant

EXPLORE FURTHER

Child destinations

- Hamilton Island - Crewed yacht charter in Hamilton Island - berths, day-anchors and shore days our captains favour inside Australia - Whitsundays.
- Whitehaven - Crewed yacht charter in Whitehaven - berths, day-anchors and shore days our captains favour inside Australia - Whitsundays.

BEFORE YOU FLY

FAQ

What does it cost to charter a yacht in Australia - Whitsundays?

Yacht charter cost in Australia - Whitsundays depends on LOA, season and hull class. As an indicative band, crewed motor yachts often sit from the mid five-figures per week upward before APA (typically ~25-35% of base for fuel, berthing and provisions), VAT where applicable, and crew gratuity. We set an honest range before contract - not a fake nightly rate.

Which marina should we embark from in Australia - Whitsundays?

Abel Point Marina, Airlie Beach is the most common embarkation for Australia - Whitsundays, with fallbacks when LOA or events block the preferred quay.

Can you charter a superyacht in Australia - Whitsundays?

Yes - superyacht charter in Australia - Whitsundays is available when berths and LOA fit. We shortlist hulls against Abel Point Marina, Airlie Beach capacity and your itinerary, then hold peak slips before you fly.

How long should a yacht charter week in Australia - Whitsundays be?

A week yacht charter in Australia - Whitsundays is the standard unit - seven nights gives room for marina nights, day-anchors and one weather buffer. Day charter is available for shorter windows when the fleet allows.

How far ahead should we book berths in Australia - Whitsundays?

For peak season and event weeks around Australia - Whitsundays, 4-12 weeks is typical for larger yachts; shoulder season is more flexible. We open the berth conversation with the yacht shortlist.

What does APA usually cover on a Australia - Whitsundays charter?

Fuel, berthing, food and beverage, and most guest concierge extras. Tax context for Australia - Whitsundays: Australia applies GST (10%) on yacht charter; Great Barrier Reef Marine Park fees and permits are APA extras. We set an indicative APA band before contract.

OPERATIONAL

Mooring notes

Abel Point Marina, Airlie Beach

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Hamilton Island Marina

High in peak season around Australia - Whitsundays - broker relationships matter for larger LOA at Hamilton Island Marina. 4-12 weeks for peak season slips Event or festival weeks near Australia - Whitsundays can multiply rates and eliminate availability at Hamilton Island Marina. We hold Hamilton Island Marina alternatives and Whitehaven Beach fallbacks before you sign.

Coral Sea Marina, Airlie

High in peak season around Australia - Whitsundays - broker relationships matter for larger LOA at Coral Sea Marina, Airlie. 4-12 weeks for peak season slips Event or festival weeks near Australia - Whitsundays can multiply rates and eliminate availability at Coral Sea Marina, Airlie. We hold Coral Sea Marina, Airlie alternatives and Whitehaven Beach fallbacks before you sign.

Berth fees, APA budgets and event lead times are indicative and move with LOA, season and harbour policy. Blue Ocean Club confirms live figures in writing before deposit. Not a substitute for captain pilotage or marina contracts.

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