

Fraser Island (K'gari), Queensland, Australia

The world's largest sand island grows ancient rainforests from pure silica dunes — K'gari is utterly unlike any other cruise port. Your tender brings you to a UNESCO wilderness where dingoes wander the shore and crystal freshwater lakes shimmer in the bush.

Tender only (Kingfisher Bay Jetty)

Typical call: 7–9 hrs

Australian Dollar (AUD)

English

4WD required to explore beyond the resort

MY DAY IN PORT

Ship/Date: Arrive: All aboard:

Excursion: Notes:

GETTING ASHORE

Docking: Tender to Kingfisher Bay Resort Jetty

Best For: Nature lovers, wildlife, unique landscapes, guided eco-tours

Walk to centre: Short walk along the jetty to the Kingfisher Bay Resort hub; beyond requires 4WD

Don't Miss: Lake McKenzie's brilliant blue perched lake and the Maheno Shipwreck on 75 Mile Beach

Getting around: Taxi Varies — pre-book required

TOP THINGS TO DO

- Lake McKenzie (Boorangoora) 4WD Tour** — The island's most iconic sight: a perched freshwater lake fed solely by rainwater, ringed by 98% pure white silica sand.
 - 75 Mile Beach & Eli Creek Drive** — Drive the famous beach highway and float down Eli Creek — a clear freshwater stream that rushes from the island's interior to the sea.
- Maheno Shipwreck** — The rusting iron skeleton of the SS Maheno — a 1905 luxury liner driven ashore by a cyclone in 1935 — lies decaying on 75 Mile Beach.
 - Dingo & Ranger Walk** — Kingfisher Bay Resort rangers lead free and low-cost guided walks covering K'gari's famous wild dingoes — among the last genetically pure dingoes in...
 - Central Station Rainforest** — One of the world's great oddities: a full-canopy subtropical rainforest growing directly from sand dunes.

BEST WALKS

- Kingfisher Bay Coastal Walk** Easy · ~3 km return · 45–60 min — A flat coastal path north from the resort towards the ruins of McKenzie's historic timber jetty.
- Dundonga Creek Mangrove Walk** Easy · 1.8 km loop · 30–40 min — A short loop through mangrove forest near the resort, good for spotting mud crabs, shore birds, and the unique coastal ecosystem of K'gari's sheltered western side.

WEATHER · DAYLIGHT · MONEY

CLIMATE (AVG °F · RAINY DAYS)

	Mon	High	Low	Rain
Apr		77°	70°	14d
Jun		70°	61°	10d
Aug		71°	60°	6d
Sep		74°	63°	8d
Oct		77°	67°	9d

DAYLIGHT & MONEY

Apr 6:03AM–5:32PM · Jun 6:31AM–5:05PM · Aug 6:16AM–5:28PM · Sep 5:45AM–5:41PM · Oct 5:14AM–5:53PM

KNOW BEFORE YOU GO

- Dingo safety is serious: K'gari's dingoes are wild predators. Never feed them (fines exceed AU\$10,000), always walk in groups, and keep children within arm's reach. If a dingo approaches, stand tall, fold your arms, and don't run.
- Book 4WD tours through your ship for the key sights — the ship will wait for delayed shore excursions. Independent tours cannot guarantee you'll make it back if a vehicle gets bogged in the sand.
- Don't swim on the eastern beach: 75 Mile Beach has powerful rips, sudden drop-offs, and a high shark population. The calmer Great Sandy Strait side near the resort is safer for wading.
- Bring strong insect repellent: Sandflies (biting midges) on the western beaches can cause intense itching. DEET-based repellent is essential.
- Kingfisher Bay Resort accepts credit cards. There are no ATMs on the island — bring Australian dollars cash for small purchases.
- Sun and heat are intense, especially Nov–Apr. The white silica sand reflects UV and gets extremely hot underfoot. Wear closed shoes, a hat, and high-SPF sunscreen.

Fraser Island (K'gari), Queensland, Australia — Port Map

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Red = walkable sights · Amber = excursions farther out · P = cruise terminal. Numbers match the order you'd typically visit.



1 Lake McKenzie (Boorangoora)

Pristine freshwater lake with white silica sand beaches.

P Cruise port / terminal