

Yorkeys Knob, Queensland, Australia

Cairns' deep-water tender port, where Half Moon Bay marina drops you within striking distance of the world's largest coral reef and ancient rainforest — or just a cold beer on the biggest deck in Far North Queensland.

Tender port (no cruise pier)

Typical call: 8-10 hrs

Australian Dollar (AUD) — tap-and-go everywhere

English

MY DAY IN PORT

Ship/Date: _____ Arrive: _____ All aboard: _____

Excursion: _____ Notes: _____

GETTING ASHORE

Docking: Tender — ships anchor in Trinity Bay; 15-20 min ride to Yorkeys Knob Boating Club marina

Best For: Great Barrier Reef dives, Kuranda rainforest, kitesurfing, fresh tropical seafood

Walk to centre: Yorkeys Knob Beach: 15 min walk. Cairns city: 20 min drive — not walkable

Don't Miss: Skyrail Rainforest Cableway + Kuranda Scenic Railway combo (book months ahead)

Getting around: Taxi AUD \$50-70 one-way · Rideshare Uber · Hop-on hop-off Hop-on hop-off

TOP THINGS TO DO

- Great Barrier Reef Snorkel & Dive** — High-speed catamarans from Cairns Reef Fleet Terminal (20 min from the marina) ferry you to pontoons or reef platforms...
 - Skyrail Cableway + Kuranda Scenic Railway** — Glide over the World Heritage rainforest canopy on the Skyrail from Smithfield (10 min drive), explore the bohemian...
 - Hartley's Crocodile Adventures** — Twenty-five minutes north, Hartley's is the best place in Australia to see massive
- saltwater crocodiles in action, hold...

 - Kitesurfing Lesson at Yorkeys Knob Beach** — Yorkeys Knob is world-renowned for consistent trade winds and wide flat-water bays — a premier kitesurfing destination.
 - Daintree Rainforest & Mossman Gorge** — The Daintree is the world's oldest tropical rainforest — older than the Amazon.

BEST WALKS

- Marina to Yorkeys Knob Beach** 1 km · 15 min · flat · free — Walk out from the boating club along the foreshore to Half Moon Bay Beach.
- Beach to Yorkeys Knob Lookout** 1.5 km · 25 min · moderate · free — Continue north along the beach and take the short rocky track up to the Yorkeys Knob headland for panoramic views over the Coral Sea...

WEATHER · DAYLIGHT · MONEY

CLIMATE (AVG °F · RAINY DAYS)

	Mon	High	Low	Rain
Apr		82°	74°	12d
Jun		76°	68°	9d
Aug		76°	66°	6d
Sep		78°	68°	6d
Oct		81°	71°	6d

DAYLIGHT & MONEY

Apr 6:25AM–6:08PM · Jun 6:43AM–5:51PM · Aug 6:35AM–6:07PM · Sep 6:12AM–6:12PM · Oct 5:49AM–6:16PM

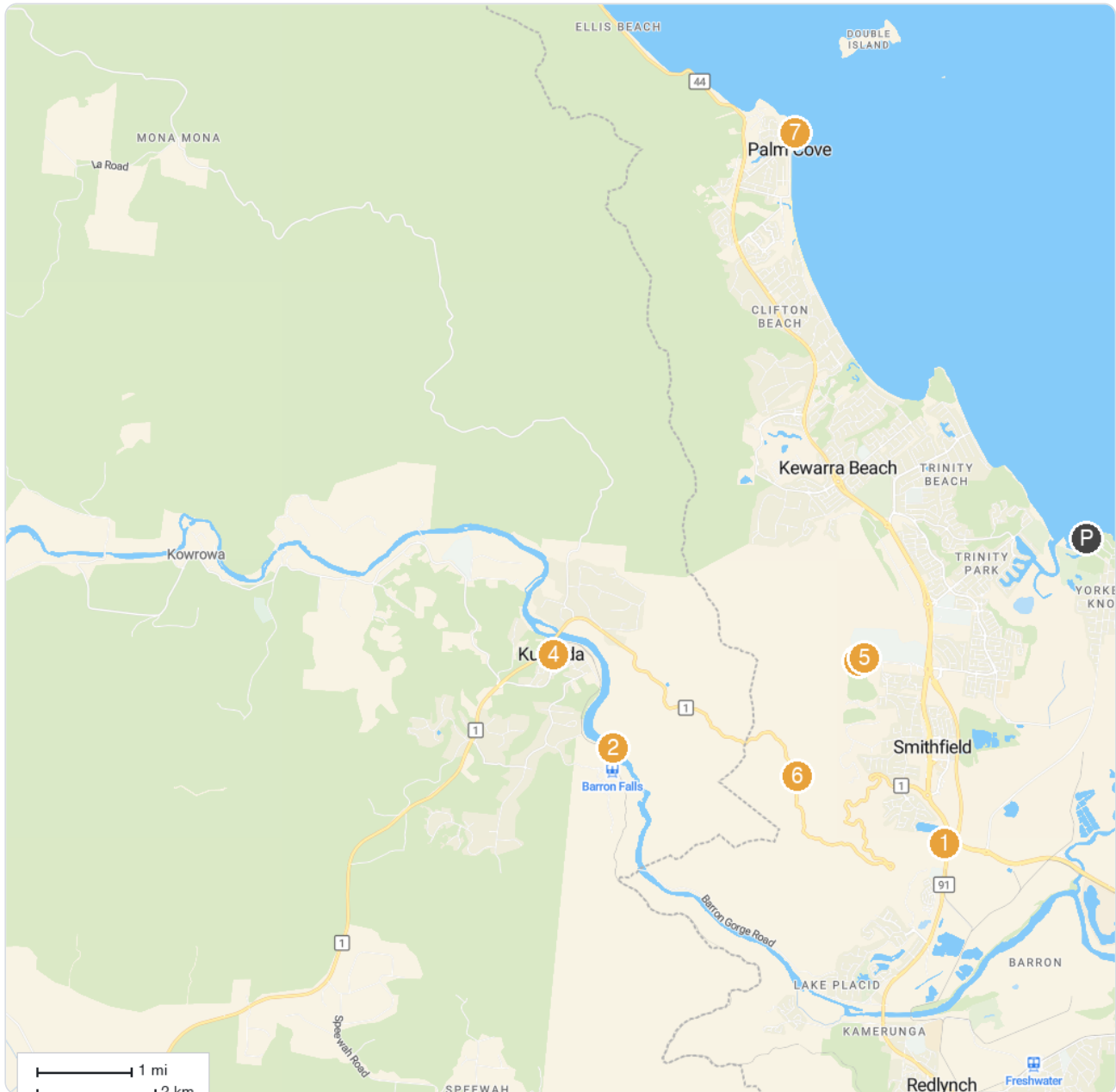
KNOW BEFORE YOU GO

- Tender strategy:** Book ship excursions or get a priority tender ticket if you have an independent reef or Kuranda tour. Missing the morning tender window can eat your entire day.

Yorkeys Knob, 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.



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| 1 Skyrail Rainforest Cableway | Gondola ride over ancient rainforest canopy and waterfalls. | 2 Barron Falls | Spectacular waterfall within the lush Barron Gorge National Park. |
| 3 Skypark Cairns by AJ Hackett | Australia's only bungee jump and giant swing adventure park. | 4 Kuranda Original Rainforest Markets | Historic village market selling local crafts, food, and souvenirs. |
| 5 Smithfield Mountain Bike Park Trail head | Gateway to world-class mountain biking trails for all skill levels. | 6 Henry Ross Lookout | Panoramic lookout offering stunning views of Cairns and the coast. |
| 7 Palm Cove Jetty | Scenic pier for fishing, strolling, and ocean views. | P Cruise port / terminal | |