

Twelve days of spectacular painting in Far North Queensland. Explore and paint the lush tropics, visit the ancient Daintree Rainforest and discover the remote, unspoilt beauty of Cape York Peninsula. The workshop starts in Cairns, the heart of Tropical North Queensland, a vibrant city that blends a laid back tropical sensibility with a buzzing multicultural lifestyle. We then travel to the frontier town of Cooktown followed by the beauty of Port Douglas.



Amanda Hyatt has been a professional watercolour artist for 35 years. She has had 35 solo exhibitions, with international exhibitions in New York and China where she was described as a 'Master of Watercolour' and an 'International Master of 'En Plein Air Painting'. For the past twelve years Amanda has taken Travelrite International painting workshop holidays to places such as Antarctica, Europe (France, Italy and Mediterranean Cruises) and the UK. She has won most major Australian Watercolour awards and is a long-term member of both the Twenty Melbourne Painters Society and the Australian Watercolour Institute. Amanda has five teaching DVDs and her book Watercolour Tonal Impressionism is a best seller. Amanda is passionate about the art of watercolour and pushes the boundaries herself in discovering how to make a 'piece of art' rather than 'just a painting'

## **Itinerary:**

## **Day 1** Saturday 10 July, 2021 **Cairns, Queensland**

Tour members will be met at Cairns airport at 1.00pm and be taken on an orientation tour of Cairns. This will include a visit to the lush Flecker Botanical Gardens, renowned for having one of the best exhibitions in Australia of tropical plants. We will be able to meander through the butterfly lined pathways under the green canopy, and see the various plant and wildlife. We check into our hotel late afternoon and then meet for welcome drinks and an included dinner.

## **Day 2** Sunday 11 July, 2021 Cairns, Queensland

Our first day of painting in beautiful Cairns. Amanda will begin the painting program with a demonstration and individual teaching in the town of Cairns





# **Day 3** Monday 12 July, 2021 Cairns, Queensland

Today we travel on the Skyrail to Kuranda. We will travel by Gondola over and through the rainforest canopy with views and sights that are truly amazing. The Skyrail journey includes two stops, Red Peak Station and Barron Falls Station. Kuranda is a little picturesque hidden village in the rainforest, it is famous for its engaging arts & crafts and indigenous artefacts. There will be time for lunch, to explore and paint in Kuranda. Amanda will choose some wonderful subjects for you to paint in Kuranda.

## **Day 4** Tuesday 13 July, 2021 **Cairns, Queensland**

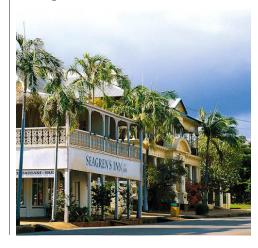
Palm Cove is a unique, quiet and relaxing village by the sea where centuries old "paperbark" Melaleuca trees line the casual esplanade. The beach is within a very long cove that stretches all the way to Kewarra Beach. Amanda will spend the day painting with you and helping you capture the charm of Palm Cove.

# **Day 5** Wednesday 14 July, 2021 **Cairns, Queensland**

A full day of painting and exploring Cairns with Amanda. Amanda will start the day by painting a demonstration followed by individual tuition.

# **Day 6** Thursday 15 July, 2021 Cooktown, Queensland

Today we travel to Cooktown, which has over two centuries of rich history. Cooktown was the site of the first white 'settlement' in Australia when Captain James Cook, having accidentally struck the Great Barrier Reef, off the coast north of Cape Tribulation, struggled up the coast and beached the Endeavour on the shores of the Endeavour River. Cooktown is famous for its pristine beaches and tropical lagoons, waterfalls, hidden gardens and magical mountain views.



### **Day 7** Friday 16 July, 2021

#### Cooktown, Queensland

A full day of painting and exploring spectacular Cooktown with Amanda.

# **Day 8** Saturday 17 July, 2021 **Port Douglas, Queensland**

Today we travel to Mossman Gorge, where we will walk into the lush rainforest. We then travel the short distance to our hotel in Port Douglas, which has a distinctive laid-back atmosphere and a low-rise tropical old world charm. The world famous 4 Mile Beach is right at your doorstep and is a great place to see the sunrise. Tonight we enjoy an included dinner.

## **Day 9** Sunday 18 July, 2021 **Port Douglas, Queensland**

We explore the charms of the Sunday markets at Port Douglas. The markets are located in a grassy park, right on the waterfront overlooking the beautiful Coral Sea. Vendors come from all over the Far North to sell their products. With shady palm trees and warm, caressing ocean breezes blowing in from the ocean, an array of arts, innovative crafts, clothing and exotic fruits, the Port Douglas Markets



are much brighter than your regular marketplace. It is the perfect place to spend a Sunday painting. Tonight we enjoy an included dinner.

# **Day 10** Monday 19 July, 2021 **Port Douglas, Queensland**

Today our painting subject will be the Sugar Wharf. Built in 1904 by the Douglas Shire Council, the historic, heritage listed building was once used for the mooring of ships and loading of sugar (Hence the name). Today, its beautiful white washed walls and views stretching over the Coral Sea and Daintree Mountains make it a wonderful painting subject. Tonight we enjoy an included dinner.

# **Day 11** Tuesday 20 July, 2021 Port Douglas, Queensland

Today we travel to the Daintree rainforest. Estimated to be around 125 million years old, the Daintree Rainforest is the oldest tropical lowland forest in the world. There are over 3000 species of plants found in the Daintree Rainforest, with a small percentage being rare or endangered. It is also home to over 40% of all Australian bird species. Today we will enjoy a crocodile boat ride along the Daintree River followed by a painting session. This evening we will have an included farewell dinner at our hotel to celebrate our time in Far North Oueensland.

# **Day 12** Wednesday 21 July, 2021 **Departure, Queensland**

Tour members will be transferred to Cairns domestic airport to meet flights departing after 12.00pm midday.

### **Tour highlights:**

- 5 nights' accommodation in a four star hotel in Cairns
- 2 nights' accommodation in a three star motel in Cooktown
- 4 nights' accommodation in four star and a half star hotel in Port Douglas For pre or post, tour accommodation please ask your Travelrite consultant.
- 16 meals including 11 breakfasts, one dinner in Cairns and four dinners in Port Douglas
- Welcome drinks in Cairns
- Farewell drinks in Port Douglas
- Arrival and departure transfers.
- One-way skyrail tour in Kuranda, crocodile boat ride in the Daintree
- Sightseeing and painting trips in Cairns, Kuranda, Palm Cove, Cooktown, Mossman Gorge, Port Douglas and the Daintree Forest.
  Transport as per itinerary.
- First-class teaching by artist and teacher, Amanda Hyatt.
- Intensive painting sessions including demonstrations, painting instruction and critique sessions.
- The services of a professional workshop manager.
- A certificate confirming the successful completion of the workshop.

#### **TOUR PRICES:**

Workshop price per person twin-share \$ 3,995 Single supplement \$ 775

### Not included in the price:

- Travel arrangements not specified in the itinerary, such as air travel from your home to and from the workshop.
- Travel insurance. We strongly recommend travel insurance to cover yourself for cancellation, medical and hospital expenses, and other unforeseen expenses.
- Gratuities to the coach drivers and local guides.
- Sightseeing unless specified in the workshop itinerary.
- Drinks and meals other than those specified in the itinerary.
- Items of a personal nature.
- Passport and visa fees.





### **TERMS AND CONDITIONS**

#### 1. Payment Conditions:

A reservation deposit of \$500 per person is required at the time of booking. Final payment is due 60 days prior to the date of departure.

### 2. Alteration to Workshop Vacation Price:

The Painting Workshop Vacation price is subject to change in the event of unforeseen circumstances and changes in the cost of travel and accommodation services. Should any increase in the Workshop Vacation price be unacceptable to the registered member, a full refund of monies paid will

### 3. Cancellation and Amendments:\*

Cancellations received in writing 61 or more days from the date of departure will result in a cancellation fee of \$500 per person cancelling. Cancellations received 60 or fewer days before departure will result in a loss of all monies paid. There are no refunds for services not utilized while on a Workshop Vacation. Travel insurance is highly recommended to cover Workshop members for the consequences of unforeseen events during the Workshop Vacation and for cancellation fees that could result from illness, accident, death or other contingencies. Once a booking has been confirmed, one amendment to travel arrangements will be made free-of charge. Subsequent changes to travel arrangements will incur an amendment fee of \$25 per change in addition to supplier charges.

#### 4. Minimum Workshop Vacation Numbers:

Each Painting Workshop Vacation has been priced on the basis of a minimum number of members travelling. In the

event that fewer than the minimum number of members have confirmed their booking 60 days from the date of commencement, Travelrite International reserves the right to cancel the Workshop Vacation, giving a full refund of monies paid, or to offer arrangements to proceed with the Workshop Vacation at a modified price.

#### 5. General:

In the unlikely event that the Workshop tutor is unable to perform his or her duties due to unforeseen contingencies, Travelrite International reserves the right to substitute another artist as tutor or to continue with the Workshop Vacation as planned or to provide a cash refund to Workshop members equivalent to the value of the Workshop leadership. International Artist Painting Workshops can involve a considerable amount of walking and stair-climbing in the regions visited and it is important that all members have a level of physical fitness that allows them to take part in these activities without the need of assistance from others.

### 6. Tax Considerations:

If you regularly sell your own paintings, you may fall into the semi-professional or professional category for taxation purposes and the tour cost may be tax-deductible. We recommend that you seek the advice of a qualified tax adviser.

#### 7. Responsibilities:

Travelrite International Pty Ltd. and International Artist Publishing, their agents, officers, affiliates, and/or suppliers of services pursuant to or in connection with these Workshop Vacations shall act only as agents in making arrangements for hotels, transportation, restaurants, or any other service and do not assume any liability whatsoever for any injury, damage, death, loss, accident or delay to person or property due to an act of negligence or of default of any hotel, carrier,

restaurant, company or person rendering any services included in the Workshops, or by act of God. Further, no responsibilities are accepted for any damage or delay due to sickness, pilferage, labor disputes, machinery breakdown, guarantine, government restraints, weather, terrorism, or other causes beyond their control. No responsibility is accepted for any additional expenses, omissions, delays, rerouting or acts of any government or authority. Baggage remains at owner's risk throughout the Workshop Vacation. The passage contract in use by the carriers concerned, when issued, shall constitute the sole contract between the carriers and the purchasers of these Painting Workshop Vacations and/or the passengers. The right is reserved to withdraw any Painting Workshop Vacation and/or to make such changes in the Painting Workshop Vacation as may be found desirable for the convenience of the parties and the proper carryingout of the Painting Workshop Vacation. Registration for any Painting Workshop Vacation constitutes a contract which shall be construed in accordance with the laws of the State of Victoria, Australia and any action must be taken in the State of Victoria.

#### How to Book:

Bookings can be made by completing the online booking form or sending it with a deposit to:

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