

SAMPLE ITINERARY FOR A 14 NIGHT CHARTER

	AIRLIE BEACH – 14 NIGHTS	NAUTICAL MILES *
Day/night 1	Airlie Beach to Cid Harbour	14.5NM
Day/night 2	Cid Harbour to Lindeman Island	18NM
Day/night 3	Lindeman Island/ Shaw Island/ Plantation Bay	5NM
Day/night 4	Lindeman Island to Palm Bay	15NM
Day/night 5	Palm Bay to Whitehaven Beach	17NM
Day/night 6	Whitehaven Beach to Hamilton Island	10NM
Day/night 7	Hamilton Island to CATERAN BAY, Border Island	20NM
Day/night 8	Border Island to Macona Inlet	9NM
Day/night 9	Macona Inlet to Stonehaven	10NM
Day/night 10	Stonehaven via Langford to Blue Pearl Bay	5NM
Day/night 11	Blue Pearl Bay to Butterfly Bay	6NM
Day/night 12	Butterfly Bay to Nara Inlet	11NM
Day/night 13	Nara Inlet to South Molle Island	7NM
Day/night 14	South Molle Island to Woodward Bay	13NM
Day 15	Woodward Bay to Airlie Beach	9NM

*Distances are a guide only

NARA INLET (Hook Island)

Beautiful fjord like inlet. Entrance is on the starboard (right) side as there is an extensive reef to port (left). Nara Inlet features ancient aboriginal cave paintings with a good bush walk and views over the inlet. Take a walk to the top of the waterfall which is spectacular after heavy rains. Anchoring only (no moorings) with very good holding and one of the best places for a sound night's sleep in all conditions.

CID HARBOUR (Whitsunday Island)

Sawmill Beach is a very good anchorage in any breeze except W-NW-N winds. Sawmill Beach has a great walking track which is not too strenuous around to Dugong Beach, if you are fit and have the whole day consider a walk to Whitsundays Peak for spectacular views over the Whitsundays. This anchorage is teeming with turtles, and you will also spot Sea Eagles and the occasional dugong.

HAMILTON ISLAND

Hamilton Island is one of the Whitsundays Islands. Most of the car free island is covered in bushland and the coast is fringed with coral reefs. This is a great stop to top up water tanks, dispose of garbage and enjoy some of the facilities on the island. It is recommended to book in advance during high season. We can organise this for you.

WHITEHAVEN BEACH (Whitsunday Island)

This 7km beach of pure white silica sand is extremely popular and a must to visit on everyone's itinerary. Can sometimes be roly at night. If on the beach at dusk or dawn watch out for the sandflies! Good in all breezes except N-NE.

TONGUE BAY (Whitsunday Island)

This is a great anchorage to explore Hill Inlet. There is a platform lookout, accessible by taking the dinghy around to Betty's Beach – which has great views over Whitehaven Beach and Hill Inlet. Not a good anchorage for N-NE-E winds.

CATERAN BAY (Border Island)

Good in E-SE-S-SW breezes but can be a little roly as the wind easts. Best in lighter conditions. Great snorkelling and diving and a pretty beach accessible at high tide. There are public moorings in place here and anchoring is permitted outside of the reef protection buoys.

LINDEMAN ISLAND resort & jetty, Home Beach

Since 2012 Lindeman Island has not had an operational resort. While developments are underway to refurbish the old Club Med, the island remains open for exploration if you're cruising the Whitsundays on a yacht. Those cruising the Whitsundays by boat can anchor out the front of the old resort using the old jetty. However, we do not recommend our bareboat charter guests visit the resort side of Lindeman Island. Neck and Plantation Bay are the best places to anchor.

Plantation Bay

Plantation Bay is our pick for the best swimming spot on Lindeman Island. The beach is beautiful and sandy, with reefs worth snorkelling in clear conditions, although the coral isn't as attractive as it is at Gap Beach.

Plantation Bay is protected from most winds except the West and South-west.

Boat Port

Boat Port, the north-western bay of Lindeman Island, is well protected from the prevailing south-easterly breeze. Boat Port is Lindeman Islands main camping area. It's a beautiful sandy beach, with skirting rainforests and access to hiking trails and views.

Expect a long row into the beach from your anchorage. At low tide, the sand flat goes a long way out (300 m) which can pose a challenge with leaving your dingy in an accessible location considering the dramatic tide changes. For example, you could easily find yourself marooned, waiting for water to return to the bay for quite some time.

Secret spot tip: If you're up for a mini-adventure, walk around the rocks on the North end and find a private white sandy beach with a sandspit reaching towards Little Lindeman Island. Enjoy the views of the dramatic Pentecost Island in the background.

Seaforth Island

Anchor on the northern side of Seaforth Island for shelter from south-east winds.

Seaforth is a beautiful secluded National Park island with exciting rock formations & rock orchids. Enjoy the picnic area and short trail through the bush to the beach across the northeast arm of the Island.

Gap Beach

Gap Beach lies between two high pieces of land at either end. Protected from West and all southerly winds, Gap Beach can get a little roly at times. Check-in at your radio schedule call to check the right conditions for anchoring. A fantastic spot for snorkelling and oystering, there are also beautiful views northwards towards Pentecost and the main islands of Whitsundays.

The beach itself is pebbly, so not a pristine sandy spot for sunbaking. Adventure lovers will enjoy exploring the rock pools and clambering the rock formations to the right off the beach.

Neck Bay, Shaw Island

Located on the North-west side of Shaw Island, Neck Bay is a remote spot protected from south & east winds.

Neck Bay is the most southerly anchorage within charter limits. Be mindful of the tidal stream created between Dalwood Point on Lindeman Island and Shaw Island when anchoring here. It's best to anchor as close into Neck Bay as possible while being mindful of the reef (refer to the coy of 100 Magin Miles aboard your vessel).

Burning Point, Shaw Island

Burning Point is protected winds coming from the South and East, it looks over towards Lindeman Island. Be wary of the fringing reef near the beach, making the island inaccessible at low tide.

Please note that each year from 1 October to 31 March, access restrictions apply east of Burning Point to protect nesting sea birds.

PLEASE CONSULT YOUR CHART AND THE 100 MAGIC MILES BOOK BY DAVID COLFELT FOR FURTHER INFORMATION AS THIS IS A GENERAL GUIDE ONLY AND IS SUBJECT TO WEATHER. IF UNSURE CONTACT THE QYC OFFICE FOR ADVICE.

BUTTERFLY BAY (Hook Island)

A great place to snorkel or dive. There are quite a few public moorings in these bays, but anchoring can also be done outside of the reef protection markers. Bubbles (wind gusts) can be frequent in strong southerlies, so if anchoring make sure it is well set. From Butterfly Bay you can also dinghy to Maureen's Cove for more beautiful snorkelling and diving. There is an abundance of fish and corals that can take you days to explore. Not a good anchorage in northerlies and fishing is not permitted.

Whitsunday Resorts:

Hamilton Island Resort:

This resort island is in the middle of the Whitsunday group and can be a great mid-charter stop over for many reasons. You are free to use most of the resort facilities (pools etc.) and there are many restaurants and cafes to choose from and a good range of activities to keep you amused. Fill up with water, top up the fridge with fresh produce and dispose of your garbage. There is also a doctor, general store, bakery, bottle shop, bank, post office and many boutique stores. There is a fee for the night. Contact the QYC reservations team to make a booking.

Palm Bay, Palm Bay Resort – Long Island:

Good in NE-E-SE-S-SW 15 to 25 knots. Can be a good first or last night stop over. Moorings are available and need to be booked in advance. This can be done through the QYC reservations team. Palm Bay Resort is a beautiful boutique resort nestled in the neck of Long Island. They are fully licensed with a restaurant open 7 days a week for breakfast, lunch and dinner. Please note the resort caters for 16+ only.

Hayman Island Resort:

Day access onto the island is now available. This allows the guests to come onto the island between 10am – 4pm. The guests can have lunch and use all of Hayman's 5-star amenities, including the pool, the spa (prior booking is required), and our boutique retail outlet. Marina day access starts at \$350 and increases based on the size of the vessel. There is also a minimum spend of \$250 per adult and \$125 per child (under 15).

Daydream Island:

Day access to the resort is now possible.

We offer options for guests to come with their own vessels by using the Mooring and Berthing option form:

<https://www.daydreamisland.com/marina-berthing/mooring-berthing-booking-form>

South Molle Island – Resort closed.

Lindeman Island Resort – closed.