

**SAMPLE ITINERARY FOR A 7 NIGHT CHARTER**

	<b>AIRLIE BEACH – 7 NIGHTS</b>	<b>NAUTICAL MILES</b>
<b>Day/night 1</b>	<b>Airlie Beach to Nara Inlet</b>	<b>13NM</b>
<b>Day/night 2</b>	<b>Nara Inlet to Cid Harbour</b>	<b>8NM</b>
<b>Day/night 3</b>	<b>Cid Harbour to Hamilton Island</b>	<b>7NM</b>
<b>Day/night 4</b>	<b>Hamilton Island to Whitehaven Beach</b>	<b>10NM</b>
<b>Day/night 5</b>	<b>Whitehaven Beach to Cateran Bay</b>	<b>8.5NM</b>
<b>Day/night 6</b>	<b>Cateran Bay to Butterfly Bay</b>	<b>10NM</b>
<b>Day/night 7</b>	<b>Butterfly Bay to South Molle/Palm Bay</b>	<b>14.5nm/20nm</b>
<b>Day 8</b>	<b>South Molle/Palm Bay to Airlie Bay</b>	<b>8.5nm/12nm</b>

**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 or 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.

**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 eases. 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.

**BUTTERFLY BAY (Hook Island)**

A great place to snorkel or dive. There are quite a few public moorings in these bays, anchoring is also possible, albeit outside the reef protection markers. Bullets (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 – closed.**