



BED AND BREAKFAST ACCOMMODATION

We offer two private, high-set, pole-framed timber cottages with balconies which overlook the creek at Cape Tribulation on the edge of our own private World Heritage Rainforest.



'The bed and breakfast cottage is surely one of the most appealing and unusual places we've stayed on our travels. The fruit tray at breakfast is so elaborate and varied that it's almost intimidating, and as coffee-addicted Americans we especially appreciated the opportunity to brew 'real' coffee, so rare in Australian inns. We've been struck throughout Australia by the hospitality and friendliness we've encountered, but Cape Trib Exotic Fruit Farm stands out even by Aussie standards.'

.....Steve and Phyllis Stevens, Tucson, Arizona

You can relax on the balcony and listen to the water flowing over the rapids in the creek; enjoy an exotic tropical fruit breakfast based around our own organic farm produce; walk in our rainforest and along the beach at Cape Tribulation.

Cape Tribulation does NOT receive mobile phone coverage, so you can truly escape. We are committed to environmental conservation: we offer you solar power; private World Heritage Daintree Rainforest; an organic permaculture orchard; and genuine local hospitality. Come and share our lifestyle at Cape Tribulation and stay with us for a short time.

FEATURES OF OUR B&B ACCOMMODATION

- Queen size bed
- Double sofa bed (with timber slats)
- Refrigerator
- Tea and coffee making facilities
- Ensuite with shower
- Large private balcony with table and chairs
- Undercover parking
- Natural air conditioning from the creek
- Solar power
- Bar-b-que facilities
- Two mountain bikes are available
- Floor to ceiling louvre windows
- Insect screens



REASONS TO STAY WITH US

- Each cottage is a great space just to sit around and relax, with a big verandah and a view of the creek and Mt Sorrow.
- We are close to the Cape Tribulation village and the beach is only 10 minutes walk via the shortcut - with no steep hills.
- Each cottage is a separate architect designed cottage 50 metres from the nearest building, not a room in the house or under the house, so you have privacy.
- Each cottage is on the edge of the rainforest , so you get cool breezes plus sunlight, and a private walking trail
- There are only two cottages - it is not guesthouse accommodation - at any time there will only be one other guest booking, so you will be 'looked after'.
- We provide you with a luxurious breakfast including exotic tropical fruit - served on the verandah of the bed and breakfast.
- We have lived here 14 years - we know the local area well, and can help you plan your days, so that you get the most out of your stay
- You interact with us personally, as the hosts and owners - not employees. We enjoy the company of our guests and welcome the opportunity to get to know you over drinks in the evening..
- And best of all - our rainforest is special.....

WORLD HERITAGE DAINTREE RAINFOREST IN OUR OWN BACKYARD

Part of our property (approximately 8 acres/3 hectares) has been included inside the boundary of the World Heritage Daintree Rainforest. This means our rainforest is protected for future generations, and is considered to be of very high quality. You are welcome to walk through this forest following our self guided trail. You will meet no other tourists, as it is privately owned land.

Both cottages are right at the edge of the Daintree rainforest, and you will be interacting with the wildlife that passes through. Guests have been able to watch Cassowaries wander down the creek while eating their breakfast on the balcony. There will be insects and spiders in the vicinity, but the cottage has insect screens.

READ WHAT PREVIOUS BED AND BREAKFAST GUESTS HAVE TO SAY

Make sure you visit our Highlights page on our website to read some extracts from our guestbook and find out why their stay with us in the B&B accommodation was so memorable.

OUR ELECTRICITY COMES FROM SOLAR POWER

The Daintree region north of the river does NOT have mains electrical power. This has been a deliberate government decision to limit development in the area. Local landholders have been subsidised to enable them to set up solar systems instead. The resorts rely on trucks bringing in diesel fuel to power large generators, while bed and breakfast operators use alternative energy sources.

We offer you a more sustainable and environmentally-friendly experience of living with solar power, which reduces YOUR impact on the area. This means we ask you to be more aware of how you use electricity. We ask that you turn off the lights in the B&B when you leave so that you do not flatten the batteries. We can NOT offer you air conditioning or electric hair dryers. If you feel that you need these luxuries, then you should stay in other accommodation.



We have designed both bed and breakfast cottages in a high-set Queenslander style to take advantage of the natural breezes. The windows in the B&B are floor to ceiling louvres to enable the breeze to flow right through the room and we have built light timber walls which do not store heat. We have built both cottages close to the creek, so that when the creek is flowing the cool air provides a wonderful natural air conditioning system. So you are not living in a concrete box which needs to be air-conditioned.

Plan to stay at Cape Tribulation for at least 3-4 days. There is a lot to do and Cape Tribulation is also a great place to unwind and just relax

CURRENT PRICES

WET SEASON SPECIAL (Nov 2006 - March 31 2007)

\$A130 double for each night of accommodation.

(Minimum stay 2 nights)

Additional person

\$A25 per person per night.

From 1st April 2007:

No. of nights	Price for double per night	Additional person
2	160	30
3	150	30
4+	140	30

(Please Note: Each cottage can accommodate up to 3 adults, or two adults and two children. The two children will need to share a double bed. We do not take one night bookings or children under 6.)

TO MAKE A BOOKING

Check our home page and email us first to check general availability - digby@capetrib.com.au Then complete the Booking Form which will transfer your data to our secure server. If you are not comfortable with using the Internet to send your personal details, you can print the form out and fax it to us at 07 4098 0067, or phone us on +61 (0)7 4098 0057

Our cancellation policy for the Bed and Breakfast

Cancellation with at least 7 days notice from arrival date: no charge

Cancellation within 1 to 7 days of arrival date: first night's tariff charged.

Cancellation of all or part of booking within 24 hours of arrival date: first night's tariff plus 50% of balance charged

BREAKFAST

We serve you breakfast on cottage verandah any time between 7 and 8.30 am. We try and make the breakfast a highlight of your holiday, something to look forward to each morning. You can have cereal and toast anytime - on holiday you should pamper yourself.



Fruit Platter in April –
Papaya, Rambai, Mangosteen, Rambutan, Pommelo,
and Soursop



Fruit Platter in January –
Lychee, Passionfruit, Carambola, Pineapple, Mango
and Jakfruit.

The first course....

Fruit Juice
Muesli
Yoghurt
Tropical Fruit in Season

The second course...choose from:

Omelette from our own eggs
(fresh herb, cheese or mushroom)

Banana pancake with
mango and ginger sauce, black sapote sauce, or Davidson plum sauce
and sour cream (depending on the season)

Shredded potato pancakes
with chilli tomato salsa

Eggs Florentine
with hollandaise sauce, served on a bed of tropical greens

Buckwheat pancake
with smoked salmon, sour cream and chives

Scrambled eggs and smoked salmon with sour cream and chives
French toast served with bacon and maple syrup

Croissants with home-made jam and our honey
Twinings Tea, Herbal Tea or Filtered Coffee

TOURS AND ACTIVITIES

We can book all your tours for you.



Water based tours

Rumrunner is a motorised sailing catamaran, and **Odyssey**, a power boat which both offer reef trips to Mackay and Undine Cays, two of the most spectacular and unspoilt coral islands and reefs in Queensland, only 60 minutes offshore. Tropical buffet lunch, snorkelling equipment and transfers included. Optional introductory, certified diving and guided dives are also available.

Paddletrek - Leaves from Cape Tribulation Beach and paddles south around the Cape, and then returns. You may see turtles, dolphins, whales and manta rays. Includes a stop for morning or afternoon tea. Departs at 8.30 am and 2 pm daily, weather permitting, and lasts for 3.5 hours.

Sea Kayaks - An adventurous 3 hour guided adventure which heads north from the Camping Ground around the rocky Cape Tribulation headland by open deck sea kayak. Pick up. You can also hire kayaks by the hour from the camping ground.

Cape Tribulation Wilderness Cruises - Located 20 minutes drive south. This is the only river boat tour permitted in the Cape Tribulation section of the Daintree National Park. The boat takes you through 9 kilometres of mangrove looking for crocodiles and birds. Lasts for one hour. Times vary depending on the season. **Highly recommended in winter at low tide.**

Dan Irby's Mangrove Adventure - Sunset cruise on the Daintree River to spot crocodiles and birds roosting. Leaves from Daintree Eco-Lodge on the south side of the Daintree River 6-8pm. **Recommended.** You can combine this with a visit to Daintree Village timber museum in the afternoon, and dinner at the Ecologe (expensive) after the cruise. We can provide you with a free ferry pass.

Rainforest focus

Cooper Creek Wilderness Guided Day and Night Tours Coopers Creek is the best of the Daintree Rainforest - the heart of the 135-million year old living museum on a natural walking trail. World Heritage Nature Reserve with Advanced Ecotourism Accreditation. Two-hour Guided, Interpreted Day Tours - 9.00 am, 2.00 pm. Two-hour Guided, Interpreted Night Tours - 8.00 pm - **Highly recommended by our guests**

Coopers Creek Full Day Package It is possible to do a day tour and combine the Coopers Creek cruise, the walk, lunch at Heritage Lodge, a swim in a crystal clear pool on Coopers Creek, and transfers if required. Minimum of 2 for transfers. If you have no transport, this provides a wonderful day out in spectacular forest, with door to door service.

Cape Trib Horse Rides Ride along Myall Beach and through rainforest with a swim in a freshwater swimming hole. Approx 4 hours. Pick up from B&B. Experienced riders get to trot and canter the horses. You must state riding ability on making the booking.

Masons Rainforest Walking Tours – Masons offer a half day walk in the rainforest valley of Myall Creek, inland from Masons Shop, and a night walk in the same location.

The Bat House - Located opposite PK's Village, this is a rainforest interpretation centre staffed by volunteers. Open between 10 - 3pm. There is a live fruit bat on display. Gold coin donation. Worth a visit.

Jungle Adventure Nightwalk - Walking trail on private rainforest at Cape Tribulation, graded easy to moderate for people with a medium level of fitness. Spotlights and raincoats provided. 7.30 - 10pm. Free pick up.

Daintree Environment Centre - Includes a canopy tower and a canopy walkway, with interpretation centre. It's possible to spend 3-4 hours here. Recommended for non-English speakers as commentary is provided in first language

Four Wheel Drive Tours - It is possible to join a half day tour north of Cape Trib on the Bloomfield Track, and also a full day tour to Cooktown . See the brochures for more details.

Jungle Surfing. Glide through the canopy along a series of flying fox cables or zip lines. Will pick up. Morning and afternoon session.

Noah Valley Trek

A half day hike up to the Noah Creek Falls. Information is provided along the way about the rainforest you are walking through. This is for serious walkers who like hiking.

Other Stuff

Cape Trib Exotic Fruit farm - Fruit Tasting We offer a fruit tasting and farm tour every day at 4 pm. You need to book by 3 pm to confirm your place. There are ten different fruit on the menu, which come from places such as the Amazon and Borneo.

Daintree Ice-cream Company Located 28 minutes drive to the south. Buy home made ice-creams made from exotic tropical fruit. Open between 11—5 pm

The Internet - You can surf the net at Dragonfly, PK's Village, and the Beach House. The computers at Dragonfly are set above the restaurant on the mezzanine floor, which has a cool breeze and a lovely ambience. There is also a reading area with a large selection of paper backs and a lounge

Yoga - During the season Yoga is held at Coconut Beach on Wednesday night between 6 – 7pm and also at 9.00 am daily

Daintree Insect Museum – located in the Cooper Creek area so it is possible to combine this with other activities in the vicinity. A large collection of butterflies and insects



PRICE LIST FOR TOURS AND ACTIVITIES 2006

Tour	Price Adult	Price Child	Comments
Fruit Tasting	\$15	\$7.50 (6-12 inc)	
Water based tours			
Cape Trib Cruises	\$23	\$16 (4-14)	
Cape Trib Sea Kayaking Tours	\$55 AM \$40 PM	20% discount for children 8 - 14	
Paddle Trek	\$50 AM \$42 Sunset	\$38 - under 14 (Nov-March only). \$35 - under 14 (Nov - March only)	
Daintree River Fishing – ½ day	\$80		
Rumrunner	\$120	\$90 (4-12) Min age diving – 12 yrs	An extra \$10 reef/fuel levy payable on boat Two certified dives \$70 Guided Dives - \$15 for two. Intro dives - \$70 first dive, \$35 second dive. FAMILY SPECIAL When 2 or more children with 2 full paying adults, 1 child travels free.
Odyssey – reef trip	\$134	\$89 (5 – 11) Infants free (0-4) Min age diving – 12 yrs	The price includes a \$4.50 reef levy Two certified dives \$60 inc. guide Intro dive \$65 first dive, Second dive \$30
Daintree River Tours			
Dan Irby Mangrove Adventures	\$50		Sunrise, morning, afternoon, evening – 2 hrs
Daintree River Tours	\$55	\$35	6:30am for 2 hours
Nice n Easy Tours	\$24	Half price 4-13	1 and ½ hours
Solar Whisper	\$20	\$10 (4-15)	1 and a ¼ hrs
Vehicle Tours of the area			
Masons – 4WD half day	\$101	\$61.00 (0-4), \$81(4-14)	AM
Odyssey – 4WD half day	\$98	\$78 (10-15years)	Not suitable for children under 10 – PM only
Masons – 4WD Cooktown Day	\$195	\$160 (4-14)	
Odyssey – Half day Daintree	\$89	\$45 (5-15)	AM
Odyssey – full day Daintree	\$134	\$89 (5-15)	Includes Discovery Centre and CC cruise
Rainforest tours			
½ day walk CC Wild	\$35	\$25 (4-13)	
½ day walk Masons	\$40	\$32.00 (< 14 years)	
½ day walk Noah Valley Trek	\$45		40989292
Night walk Masons	\$36	\$36.00 (7-14) years	Children under 7 not taken.
Night walk CC Wild	\$35	\$35	
Night walk Jungle Adv	\$30	Full price	
Day package – CC Wild	\$105	\$85 (4-13)	
2 hr walk Masons	\$34	\$27 (7-14)	AM or PM
Jungle Surfing	\$75 \$49-00 for immediate second fly	Full price	Suitable for 4 year olds upward, with reasonable levels of mobility, but is not suitable for anyone over 120 Kilogram \$5 levy payable on site
Daintree Discovery Centre	\$25.00	\$10.00	Entry fees includes guide book Family \$58 Concessions \$20
Bat House	\$2		
Horse Riding	\$89	Full price	Children must be at least 13
Daintree Museum			

GETTING HERE

Cape Tribulation is 155 kilometres and about 2 hours and 15 minutes drive, north of Cairns. You can enjoy the journey and stop at Port Douglas and Mossman Gorge on the way to Cape Tribulation.

You cross the Daintree River on a car ferry which costs \$16 return for visitors in their own vehicle. The journey is well signposted.

We recommend that you print out the travel guide provided by the Daintree Cape Tribulation Tourism Association website at www.daintreecoast.com to get the most out of your journey. The drive through the Daintree rainforest is very scenic and memorable.

There is also a map available from the Daintree Cape Tribulation Tourism website at www.daintreecoast.com which shows the journey from the Daintree River to Cape Tribulation.

Bus Options

SunPalm

Phone 07 4099 4992. The bus leaves Cairns at 7.00am and 9.00am each day, for Cape Tribulation and then returns to Cairns. Email sunpalm@ledanet.com.au for their timetable. They also offer a route to Cooktown via Cape Tribulation three days a week. They will usually drop you right at our Bed and Breakfast accommodation - and pick you up.

Airport Connections

Departs Cairns airport at 8am and 2pm each day. This time is adjustable depending on the bookings. Most of their bookings come through Qantas, and they may not have space. Ring 07 40995 950 for more information and booking. Their web site is www.tnqshuttle.com

The driver may drop you off at our farm, otherwise you should ask to be dropped at Ferntree and then ask the desk staff to call us to come and get you. Don't forget to let us know your expected time of arrival. We are only 400 metres down the road from Ferntree

Coral Reef Coaches

Departs from Cairns at 9.00 am and arrives at 1 pm. Phone 07 4098 2800 - website is www.coralreefcoaches.com.au. They offer a door to door service.

Cape Trib Connections

This company comes up to Cape Tribulation from Cairns each day transporting people who have bought packages. If you book ahead this is possible - phone 07 4053 3833. Leaves Cairns at 8 am and includes a Daintree river cruise and guided walk in Mossman Gorge. They will pick you up from your Cairns accommodation. Phone number is 07-4053 3833. They will drop you at PKs and then you should call us to come and get you.

Hiring a car

There is a wide range of car rental companies in Cairns. In the 1980s and early 90s, you were not allowed to bring normal rental cars north of the Daintree River because the road was so bad. Now it is fully sealed all the way to Cape Tribulation, so you do not need to hire a 4 WD unless you intend to keep going north to Cooktown. The Pharmacy at Cape Tribulation has two hire cars available for rental.

The Journey

Visit Port Douglas on the way to Cape Tribulation. If it is Sunday, visit the local market on the foreshore. Have lunch at one of the many restaurants and cafes at Port Douglas. We recommend 'On the Inlet' and the 'La Marinara' at the Marina. Stop in Mossman Gorge for a swim or do the Kuku Yalanji tour. Stop at the look out at the top of the Alexandra range for a spectacular view over the Daintree River, and then enjoy the scenic drive through the Daintree Rainforest. We can provide you with a travel guide.

The Wet Season

During the wet season (February to May) the rivers may flood after heavy rainstorms and the causeways can

become impassable for several hours on the Cape Tribulation road. Each causeway has a depth marker to indicate how much water is flowing over the causeway. In a normal vehicle, you will need to wait until the water drops below 0.2 metres before attempting to cross. This may take several hours - be patient, enter into the spirit of adventure, and get to know your fellow drivers. On average this would happen about 10 days out of 365, every year.

If you are visiting Cape Tribulation during the wet season do not plan a tight schedule - leave some flexibility. **DO NOT plan to drive to Cairns and fly out on the same day that you leave Cape Tribulation.** Book an extra night in Cairns to give you some leeway.

Some resort visitors at Cape Tribulation have found it necessary in previous wet seasons to charter a helicopter back to Cairns in order to make their international flights. Last March it was impossible to leave Cape Tribulation for four days due to heavy rains which caused the rivers to floods, and landslides between Port Douglas and Cairns. Our guests finally departed by helicopter (under charter for Coconut Beach guests to evacuate to Port Douglas), and then by boat to Cairns, as the road was closed. The hire car was picked up a week later by the company. Just remember this is a wilderness area.

Mountain Bikes

We have two mountain bikes available for guest use, and this gives you access to most things in the Cape Tribulation area.

On Foot

It only takes 10 minutes to walk down to the beach from the Bed and Breakfast cottage if you take the shortcut. The cottage is within 10 minutes walking distance of three places to eat at Cape Tribulation.

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

Do I need a car at Cape Tribulation?

You can get by at Cape Tribulation without a car, if you are able to walk 1 - 2 kms without any trouble. Most of the tours will collect you from our Bed and Breakfast accommodation. Most of the things you need are within walking distance - the beach, 3 eating places, the shop. The local buses will usually drop you off at our B&B if you ask. We have two bicycles available for guests.

Do I need a 4WD to get to Cape Tribulation?

Only if you plan to travel north from Cape Tribulation to Cooktown - there is 30 kms of the Bloomfield Track to negotiate with very steep and rough gradients. After rain this road can be closed. In the old days you needed a 4WD to even get to Cape Tribulation. This is a photo of the local bus which is a 6WD! taken on the main road at Cape Tribulation in 1989.



Can I hire a car at Cape Tribulation?

Yes. You can also join a 4WD tour if you want to explore further north for either a full day or half day.

How long should we stay at Cape Tribulation to see everything?

It depends on what sort of traveller you are - if you like to relax and enter into the spirit of Cape Tribulation, you could easily stay a week or 10 days, relaxing on the verandah of the Bed and Breakfast. If you like to have action-packed days every day, you could probably find enough to do for 5 days. Three days would be a minimum.

How wet does it get in the wet season at Cape Tribulation?

Wet - the average rainfall at Cape Tribulation is 4.5 metres. We do not let the rain stop us from doing anything - it is not cold when it rains. That's why we have the Daintree rainforest!

When is the wet season at Cape Tribulation?

It's hard to say. In 2000, it rained from January to October at Cape Tribulation, and then for November and December as well. We normally expect the wet from Feb-May.

When can I swim at Cape Tribulation?

You can swim at Cape Tribulation all year. From May to November you can swim in the ocean. Once the stingers arrive in November after the first heavy rains, then we swim in the rivers and the creeks upstream where there are no crocodiles. There are some wonderful icy swimming holes.

Can we cook in the B&B cottage?

No - council regulations for a Bed and Breakfast license in the Douglas Shire do not permit cooking in the room, and guests are not permitted to use the kitchen. We provide an outdoor bar-b-que for each cottage.

Where can we eat?

Cape Tribulation has a variety of places where you can eat out - from expensive a la carte restaurants to casual cafes and backpacker places. Four out of the six establishments are located within the Cape Tribulation 'village' which is within walking distance of our Bed and Breakfast. The other two can be reached in 5 minutes by car.

MAP OF THE LOCAL AREA AT CAPE TRIBULATION

