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DAINTREE RAINFOREST

Local Small Group Tours

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Glimpse into the unique lives of the Kuku Yalanji people, meeting the Indigenous people of Mossman country. Walk with them through the World Heritage-listed Daintree Rainforest on private Kuku Yalangi land on a dreamtime journey, after taking part in a smoking ceremony – which cleanses and wards off bad spirits.

**Highlights:**
- Walk on private land with the Kuku Yalanji people, on a guided Daintree rainforest walk at Mossman Gorge, known as Manjal Dimbi in local Kuku Yalanji language
- Lunch at Mayi Café and Restaurant, this spot is also well known for its damper scones which you’ll get to taste
- Interpretive SEIT Guide with a top-of-the-range vehicle, and return hotel transfers
- Choose from the included Traditional Aboriginal Fishing or Aboriginal Art and Culture experiences

**Itinerary:**
You’ll discover how bush soaps are made, learn how to identify bush-tucker, and discover how native plants have been traditionally used, skills dating more than 50,000 years. After your slow-paced walk taking in every element of the rainforest: the light falling through the fan palms, the subtle sounds of streams trickling over pebbles, the rustle of the scrub-turkey moving his way through the forest floor. Relax to the sounds of the rainforest, as you're served Daintree home-grown tea, paired with a damper scone (an outback foodie favourite).

Lunch is hosted at Mayi Café and Restaurant, Mayi meaning ‘edible plants’ (also meal or food in general). This place is special as it's operated by the local community within Mossman Gorge Cultural Centre. After lunch you’ll have time to explore the gift shop, with the opportunity to buy some Daintree tea or even some Daintree chocolate – it will be hard to resist.

Your afternoon continues with a scenic drive through the Shannonvale Valley, where your knowledgeable guide will share stories of life in the area, the twenty-six Aboriginal tribal groups of the area, the ancient ‘super-highways’, how resourceful the paper bark tree is, the six seasons of nature, and other Indigenous insights – a journey where mother nature really does the talking.

Choose from either tour below to complete your experience

- **Traditional Aboriginal Fishing**
- **Aboriginal Art and Culture**

As we drive back to your home away from home, we say goodbye to friends made with the spirit of the local culture and the Daintree in your heart. You’ll be dropped off seamlessly at either Port Douglas or Cairns, near your hotel.
Arrive at the Yiki people’s protected Janbal Aboriginal Art Gallery. Brian “Binna” Swindley will have you feeling inspired, connecting you with the stories told through Aboriginal paintings, the tales of the land, wildlife, reef and rainforest, handed down through Binna’s family for generations. You’ll learn his skills and discover your own, translating your story into artwork to take home, an uplifting reminder of your travels and this special experience on Kuku Yalanji country.

When you arrive at the Kuku Yalanji traditional fishing grounds on Cooya Beach, you’ll grab a spear and head out into nature searching for mud crabs and periwinkles. This unique experience is endorsed by Tourism Australia as part of their Discover Aboriginal Experiences program, perfect for those who want an authentic afternoon, connecting with culture amongst nature. You’ll be hands-on, gathering bush tucker deep within mangrove trees, where roots intertwine beneath your bare feet as you dig down to find clams. Your teacher shares how his community, the Kubirri Warra people live harmoniously, taking only what they need (not what they want) from the land. Their foraging techniques have been passed down from generation to generation, collecting food for their family and for a cook-up, which you’re invited to.

From: $334 adults / $237 children
Tour Code: SDDA / DAY TOUR

ABORIGINAL ART AND CULTURE

From: $388 adults / $316 children
Tour Code: SDDF / DAY TOUR

TRADITIONAL ABORIGINAL FISHING
Pick-up locations
Ask your Travel Agent or visit seittours.com for hotel departure timings and pick-up points for each tour.

Child rates
Queensland Law does not require child seats or restraints to be used for children in vehicles over 13 seats. All of our vehicles are fitted with seat belts, and depending on age, the child could either sit on a parent/carer’s lap, or sit in a seat with a standard seat belt on. Alternatively, our vehicles do have several anchor points for child seats should the guests wish to bring their own.

Our fleet
SEIT’s fleet incorporates a range of air-conditioned, specially equipped vehicles such as the Toyota Coaster with a seating capacity of approximately 17 people.

Contact us for any group size, as we operate higher numbers on request.

General information
SEIT works in joint partnership with a variety of private tour operators, National Parks, private landowners and Aboriginal operators to deliver engaging and exceptional outback experiences. Aboriginal hosts are traditional people with strong cultural obligations. When cultural events occur, an Aboriginal host may not be available.

Cancellation policy
Daintree Cancelation - from tour commencement:
• Outside 7 days: no cancellation fee
• Within 7 days: 50% of the tour cost
• Within 48 hours: 100% cancellation of tour cost or for passengers who fail to appear on the day of departure

Prices are valid from 1 April 2023 to 31 March 2024, subject to availability at time of booking. Northern Territory tours, private charter and group touring cancellation conditions differ from the above. Please ask your Travel Agent or visit our website seittours.com for full terms and conditions.

Terms and conditions
SEIT reserves the right to alter itineraries, accommodation and transport in any way necessary due to road and weather conditions, cultural reasons, mechanical defects or any changes in operational conditions. Any personal expenses incurred by clients as a result of delays or alterations to any tour are the responsibility of the client. SEIT provides experiences by a third party and takes no responsibility for loss, damage or injury as the result of negligence from this third party. Minimum tour numbers (four travellers) apply for tours to operate. Full terms and conditions can be found on our website. Please advise of any dietary requirements at the time of booking. Whilst care is taken by SEIT staff members when catering for special requirements, we cannot guarantee that food provided will not contain traces of allergy items.

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