

The Skyrail Rainforest Foundation is committed to the protection and preservation of Tropical Rainforest environments worldwide.

The Foundation's activities fall under its vision: 'The protection of Tropical Rainforests worldwide through sound management, understanding and appreciation through research and education.'

Established with the primary objective of raising and distributing funds to support Tropical Rainforest research and education projects, the Skyrail Rainforest Foundation supports and initiates a variety of studies and projects with a specific focus on:

- 🥦 Pure research aimed at understanding rainforest flora and fauna, ecosystems, processes and biological interactions.
- 🧈 Applied research towards improved management and use of rainforest environments around the world.
- Education and communication to improve the global understanding and appreciation of Tropical Rainforest environments, contributing to greater awareness and improved management and protection.
- Assisting projects where the primary objectives are to protect, present, conserve or rehabilitate Tropical Rainforest, its flora or fauna.

Skyrail donates a percentage from each sale of merchandise in its retail stores to the Foundation; these funds assist the Foundation with its rainforest research and education charter. Registered on the Australian Government's Register of Environmental Organisations, the Foundation is also entitled to receive tax deductable donations.

You can help - become a Skyrail Rainforest Foundation member or make a donation. For more information email us at info@skyrailfoundation.org or visit the website skyrailfoundation.org



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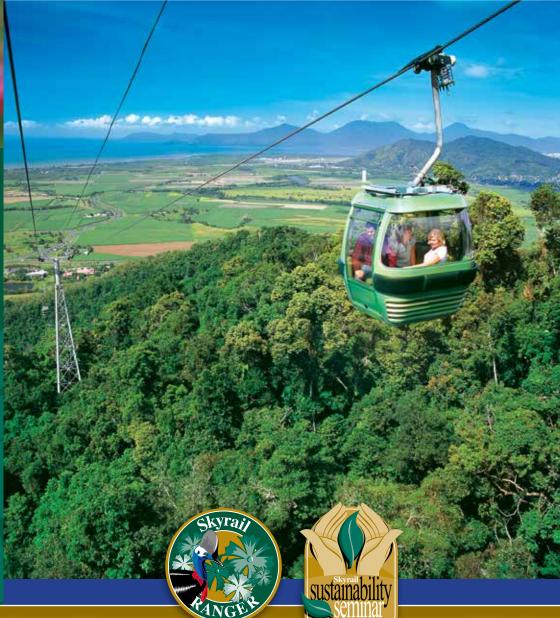
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RAINFOREST DISCOVERY





Interpretive Ranger Option

Skyrail's Interpretive Ranger Option allows your group to enjoy a personalised Ranger guided tour through Australia's World Heritage listed Tropical Rainforests.

Skyrail's qualified Rangers will meet, greet and accompany your group (we recommend a ratio of 1:20 Ranger to passengers) on a friendly guided tour of the Skyrail Rainforest Cableway experience.

At Red Peak Station, guests will be escorted on an intimate tour through the lush rainforest. Skyrail's Ranger will identify some of the unique flora and fauna that exist within this ancient environment and answer guests' questions.

At Barron Falls Station, Skyrail's Ranger will accompany your group to spectacular lookouts of the Barron Gorge and Falls, revealing some of the fascinating, historic and cultural heritage of the area. You may also have the opportunity to visit the CSIRO Rainforest Interpretation Centre. Skyrail's Ranger will be on-hand throughout the experience to answer questions.

Skyrail's Rangers boast a wide range of tertiary qualifications, extensive rainforest knowledge and an appreciation and understanding of World Heritage values.

Booking Information and Details

- Skyrail's Interpretive Ranger Option <u>must be</u> booked in conjunction with a Skyrail experience (one way or return).
- We recommend a ratio of one Ranger per group of up to 20 guests; additional Rangers are recommended for larger groups. Please discuss this at the time of booking.
- The Interpretive Ranger Option is based on a 1½ hour experience. Extended times are available on application. Prices may alter depending on your requirements.



Skyrail's Sustainability Seminar provides groups with an understanding of sustainable tourism and how a tourism operator conducts its business to meet these principles.

Skyrail sets a strong leadership model and inspires change in tourism, visitors and the local community through its best practice standards and ongoing contributions to research and education to improve environmental conditions.

Multiple winner of the Qantas Award for Excellence in Sustainable Tourism, Skyrail has been positioned as a world leader in sustainable business practices and aims to educate and inspire seminar participants about the benefits of these practices.

The seminar is presented by a Skyrail Ranger or Senior Manager, who will engage the group in a 40 minute informative discussion about Skyrail's sustainability, vision and the continual improvements made since inception. Participants will have the opportunity throughout the seminar to ask the presenter questions.

The Skyrail Sustainability Seminar can be delivered on-site at Skyrail's Smithfield Terminal (maximum of 25 guests), or off-site at any mutually convenient venue.

Booking Information and Details

- The Skyrail Sustainability Seminar <u>must be</u> booked in conjunction with a Skyrail experience (one way or return).
- The Skyrail Sustainability Seminar takes 40 minutes.
- The Skyrail Sustainability Seminar can be delivered on-site, at Skyrail's Smithfield Terminal for a maximum of 25 guests. It can also be delivered off-site at any mutually convenient location (hotel or suitable venue) within the Cairns city area, with no restriction to guest numbers*

[*Any costs incurred with using an off-site venue are not included in Skyrail's Sustainability Seminar package and will not be covered by Skyrail Rainforest Cableway.]



Australia's Tropical Rainforests

Australia's Tropical Rainforests are the oldest continually surviving Tropical Rainforests on earth, and have been internationally recognised as one of the most ecologically fascinating natural areas in the world. To protect and preserve these rainforests they were inscribed on the World Heritage List in 1988. To qualify for World Heritage status, a site must fulfil at least one of the following criteria:

- 1. To be outstanding examples representing major stages of earth's history.
- $The\ rainforests\ of\ Tropical\ North\ Queensland\ are\ like\ a\ window\ on\ how\ the\ world\ once\ was;$
- 2. To be outstanding examples representing significant ongoing ecological and biological processes The rainforest landscape contains clues as to how our world continues to evolve;
- To contain superlative natural phenomena or areas of exceptional natural beauty and aesthetic importance.
 Australia's Tropical Rainforests are a place of exceptional natural beauty;
- 4. To contain the most important and significant natural habitats for in-situ conservation of biological diversity. Australia's Tropical Rainforests are home to many rare and endangered plants and animals.

Australia's Tropical Rainforests are one of the few places in the world to satisfy all criteria, further demonstrating the importance of these unique and exceptional environments. Collectively they form Australia's Wet Tropics World Heritage area comprising several national parks including Barron Gorge, the Daintree and Wooroonooran National Parks.

Barron Gorge National Park

Skyrail Rainforest Cableway operates in the Barron Gorge National Park which was established in 1940. Incorporating 2,820 hectares, the Barron Gorge National Park boasts rugged coastal mountains, steep ravines, the mighty Barron Falls, rich wildlife and Tropical Rainforests. It is considered to be one of Queensland's most picturesque national parks.

Skyrail's Ed-Venture Guide: Complimentary to School Groups

Want to learn more about Australia's World Heritage protected Tropical Rainforests? Skyrail offers its very own Ed-Venture Guide!

The Ed-Venture Guide illustrates Skyrail's commitment to education and contains extensive information on the rainforests, their World Heritage listing, their environmental and global importance and unique rainforest flora and fauna.

Suitable for primary and secondary students of all ages, Skyrail's Ed-Venture Guide is available free to school groups and also includes a series of interactive question and answer sheets.

