

Great Barrier Reef

Slide in to the Great Barrier Reef from the Reef's first floating spaghetti jet waterslide at Sunlover's Moore Reef pontoon. Sunlover has launched a new pontoon experience at Arlington Reef, one of the largest reef systems in the Great Barrier Reef Marine Park.

www.sunlover.com.au

Photographers can join Mike Ball Dive Expeditions on a four-night private shark shoot in the Coral Sea to ensure extraordinary close-up photographs.

www.mikeball.com

New diving and snorkelling sites are accessible on the Great Barrier Reef with the arrival of Passions III in Cairns.

www.passions.com.au

Deep Sea Divers Den has expanded from Cairns to Port Douglas where the luxury liveaboard catamaran, AquaQuest, will leave for the Great Barrier Reef.

www.diversden.com.au

Passengers travelling on Quicksilver's Outer Reef cruises can learn more about the Great Barrier Reef through an innovative Interpretive Hotspot.

www.quicksilver-cruises.com

See the sunset from Port Douglas with Sailaway VI in the evening or visit Low Isles for a full-day of sailing.

www.sailawayportdouglas.com

Lizard Island has introduced Family Time during the July and September school holidays.

www.lizardisland.com.au

Set sail to the Great Barrier Reef from Cape Tribulation, where the rainforest meets the reef, aboard the new luxury catamaran Sailaway IV.

www.sailawayportdouglas.com

Fly between two World Heritage areas on a Heli Tours North Queensland flight over the Great Barrier Reef Highway from Cairns to Port Douglas.

www.helitoursnq.com.au

Visit the Frankland Islands, under new ownership, sailing to a group of uninhabited tropical islands surrounded by pristine coral reefs with Frankland Islands Cruise and Dive.

www.franklandislands.com.au

Sail from Port Douglas to the Outer Great Barrier Reef with SV Aquarius and explore the coral gardens of Horseshoe Bay at Tongue Reef. Visitors with limited time can explore the Outer Great Barrier Reef from Port Douglas in just half a day with Calypso.

www.tropicaljourneys.com

Celebrate your trip to the Great Barrier Reef with a photograph at the Gateway to the Great Barrier Reef on the Cairns Esplanade from September.

www.citizensgbr.org



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For more information go to

www.ttnq.org.au/news

or visit the TTNQ team at ATE Booth 133.

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Adventure

Float over the Atherton Tablelands with Cairns Hot Air Balloon Co to see wildlife, farmlands and bush as the sun rises.

www.cairnshotairballoon.com.au

Try stand-up paddle boarding in the Outback at Cobbold Gorge where you glide between narrow sandstone cliffs.

www.cobboldgorge.com.au

Relive your bungy jumping adventure at AJ Hackett Cairns with new video technology captured by six strategically placed cameras.

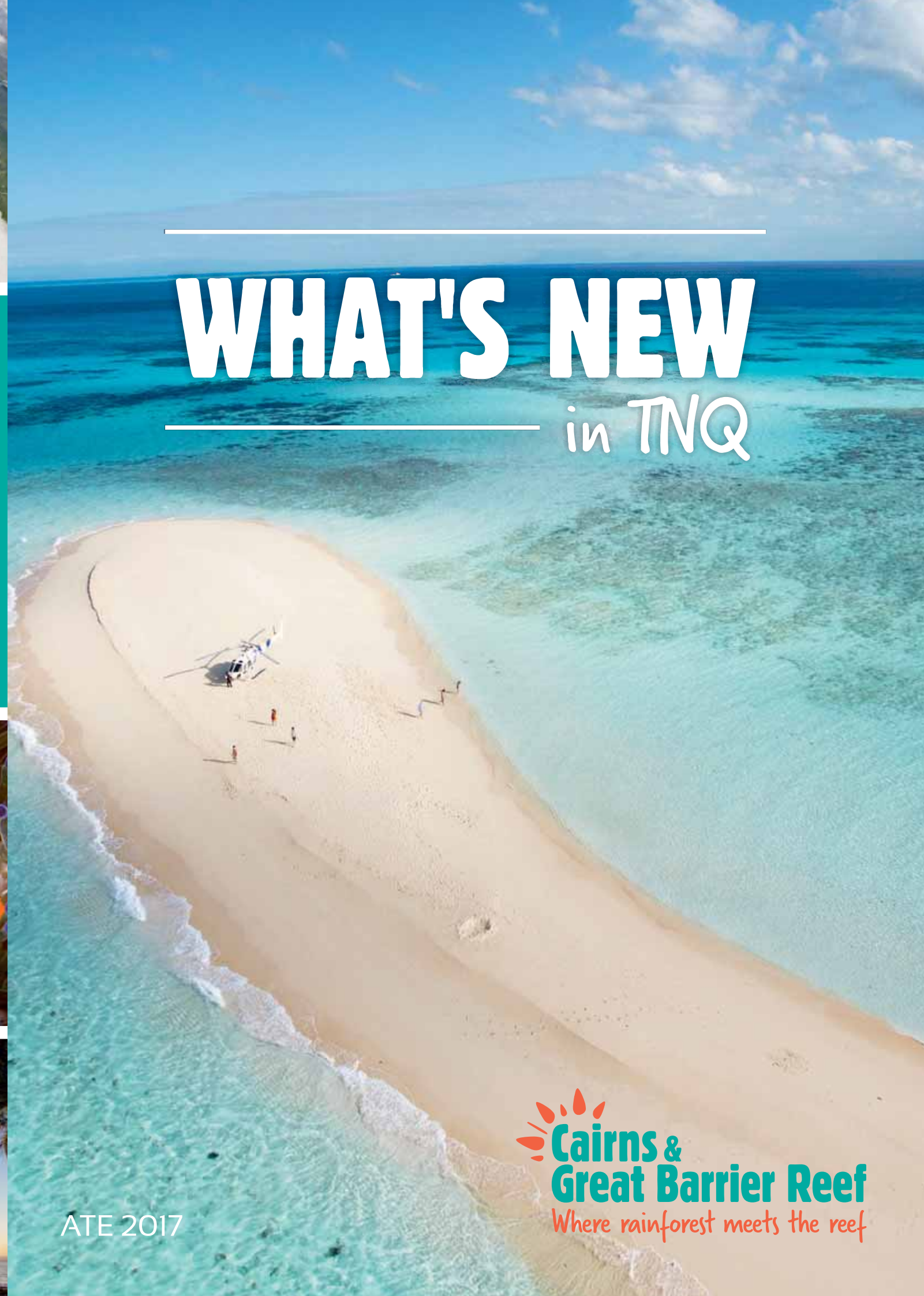
www.ajhackett.com/cairns

See the lights of Cairns with a tandem night skydive run by Skydive Cairns each full moon.

www.skydive.com.au/cairns



WHAT'S NEW in TNQ



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 **Cairns &
Great Barrier Reef**
Where rainforest meets the reef

Regional Developments

Three new luxury hotels for Cairns with the **Crystalbrook Collection** investing \$370 million in redeveloping two inner city hotels, including a \$120 million redevelopment of the Rydges Tradewinds into a five-star hotel with 300 rooms, and constructing an \$80 million inner-city hotel with 200 hotel rooms and 100 apartments.

The \$550 million **Nova City**, a luxurious residential and commercial development near the Cairns Convention Centre, will also add to the city's accommodation inventory.

The new \$50 million **Cairns Aquarium** will bring the Great Barrier Reef and the Rainforest to you in the heart of the Cairns CBD. www.cairnsaquarium.com.au, due to open in July 2017.

The **Precinct in Cairns**, a \$66.5 million development incorporating the Cairns Performing Arts Centre, is under construction alongside the new Munro Martin Parklands outdoor performance space.

The **Cairns CBD** is also receiving a facelift with the \$17.4 million City Centre Alive transforming the city heart into a landscaped pedestrian friendly area with public art and feature lighting.

On the waterfront, **Shed 2 at the Cruise Liner Terminal** will become the second location for Port Douglas-based Hemingway's Brewery which will span more than 1400 sq. m and be available for offsite events.

In Port Douglas, the **Reef Marina** is undergoing an \$85 million expansion with 44 additional berths, luxury residences and new waterfront dining and entertainment areas including the original **Hemingway's Brewery**.

The village will also have its first dedicated diver training facility with the **Quicksilver Group** constructing a purpose-built centre in the heart of Port Douglas.



New Experiences Cairns & Great Barrier Reef

Stay in the upgraded Goldfields Hotel and Finnigan's Rest in the Outback for a night of intrigue with the Forsayth By Night Tour. www.savannahway.com.au/forsayth-night-set-spook

Wooroonooran Safaris is under new ownership. Tours go to the Wet Tropics rainforest south of Cairns, home to Queensland's two tallest mountains, wetlands brimming with birdlife and crocodiles. www.wooroonooran.com/en

The new Cairns Museum tells the city's story with interactive activities, a short film and a wealth of exhibits across four galleries. www.cairnsmuseum.org.au

Frogs, lizards, snakes and tortoises from Australia and overseas are on display at Hartley's Crocodile Adventures' Reptile Exhibit. www.crocodileadventures.com

The new half-day Cairns Discovery Tour takes in the Botanical Gardens, St Monica's Cathedral, a waterfall and Palm Cove. www.cairnsdiscoverytours.com

A commitment to sustainable environmental performance has seen Skyrail Rainforest Cableway become one of the world's five EarthCheck Masters. www.skyrail.com.au



Indigenous



Torres Strait Islander artist Brian Robinson leads a 12-night Cape York and Arnhem Land curated art program aboard Coral Expeditions. www.coralexpeditions.com

The stories of the Kuku Yalanji rainforest people come to life with the half-day Dreamtime Walk Tour at Mossman Gorge Centre. www.mossmangorge.com.au

Adventure North Australia has a two-day Daintree Dreaming Tour staying overnight in the world's oldest living tropical rainforest. www.adventurenorthaustralia.com

Walkabout Cultural Adventures has a new guide to introduce guests to the rainforest culture of the Kuku Yalanji people. www.walkaboutadventures.com.au



Accommodation

The Reef House, Palm Cove has a Colonial and South Pacific feel after a \$2.5 million refurbishment of the rooms and public areas. www.reefhouse.com.au

A new hotel lobby, Bar36 Live Lounge and the Merchant Café are part of the Pullman Reef Hotel Casino's \$6.5 million upgrade. www.reefcasino.com.au

Villa San Michele in Port Douglas boasts modern kitchens, ensuites and comfortable living room furniture after a refurbishment. www.villasanmichele.com.au

Thala Beach Nature Reserve is the only Queensland hotel to be recognised as a Green Travel Leader by Ecotourism Australia. www.thalabeach.com.au



Dining

Watch the sun set behind the mountains of Cairns as you cruise Trinity Inlet aboard the luxury catamaran Spirit of Cairns. www.spiritofcairns.com.au

The Cotton Club has outdoor air-conditioning so you can comfortably share a drink or dine al fresco in the heart of Cairns. www.thecottonclubcairns.com.au

Specialising in Australian cuisine, Ochre Restaurant on the waterfront has created a set lunch menu designed for a quick business lunch. www.ochrerestaurant.com.au

The Vine Room specialises in grazing boards and Cuban sandwiches with Australian wines and craft beers. www.doubletree3.hilton.com/en/hotels/queensland/doubletree-by-hilton-hotel-cairns

Mondo on The Waterfront has been reinvigorated with a fresh new look to match its views over Trinity Inlet. www.mondoonthewaterfront.com.au

