Daydream Island Resort and Spa

Described as the jewel of the Whitsunday Islands, Daydream Island Resort and Spa is in the most idyllic of locations, encircled by a stunning network of reef lagoons.



Daydream Island is one of seven islands of the Molle Group, a sub-group of the Whitsunday Islands in Queensland, Australia. The island is small, measuring 1 kilometre in length and 400 metres at its widest point.

Comprised of 74 islands, **Daydream Island** is located at the centre of the **Whitsunday Island Group** in the **Great Barrier Reef Marine Park**.

Daydream Island is the closest of the Whitsunday Islands to Shute Harbour, lying just five kilometres from the mainland making it popular with day visitors. It is the perfect place from which to explore the beautiful Whitsunday Islands and the Great Barrier Reef and the island resort is ideal for both fun-seeking families and romance-seeking couples.

The sparking bays, secluded beaches and stunning rainforest are just some of the island's natural beauty that visitors to Daydream can expect to experience. Daydream Island has three fabulous beaches, with Sunlovers Beach fringed by live coral outcrops containing over 40 marine fish species and 50 coral varieties, the perfect location for hours of snorkelling and underwater exploration.

The highest point and centre of the island is a small, dense jungle of lush tropical vegetation inhabited by parrots and tiny sunbirds. Daydream is a peaceful and relaxing tropical tranquility surrounded by nature, in one of the world's most beautiful destinations.





Daydream Island Resort caters for families as well as couples with a range of accommodation styles each beautifully appointed with refreshing balcony views, from Garden and Ocean Rooms to Reef and Daydreamer Suites as well as Family Rooms.



Resort features include a diverse range of fun filled activities, such as an outdoor cinema featuring the latest block busters, Australia's premier 19 hole themed mini golf course, direct access to live coral reef & a world class rejuvenation spa, Daydream promises to wow all your senses. There is also a wedding chapel, kids club and numerous water sports. Daydream Island offers the best of both worlds with all sorts of activities for both the young and young at heart.

Enjoy a host of free activities including night and day tennis, volleyball, bocce, badminton, giant chess, paddle skis, snorkelling, windsurfing, catamaran sailing and much more with motorized activities also available at extra cost including scuba diving, jet skis, water skiing, paraflying, boom netting and coral reef cruises.

On Daydream Island you can experience magical dining in fine style at Sunlover's á la carte restaurant, at the Waterfall Cafe, The Beachfront Restaurant, or in a more casual atmosphere at the Tavern, or simply enjoy a pastry from the bakery.

After Daydream Island Resort was devastated by cyclone Debbie, Amicus was engaged by CCIG to deliver the multi-million dollar refurbishment project. The major works include redevelopment of the Transit Pavilion, Reception, Main Atrium Area, Waterfalls Restaurant, Lagoon Bar, all accommodation rooms, Mermaids Building, restaurants and a new Asian-inspired restaurant. One of Daydream Island's signature attractions, the Living Reef lagoons, are also being upgraded and are receiving some brand new features which will enhance interaction with guests.



As the Principal Contractor on the site, Amicus is responsible for managing a 200+ labour force, multiple sub-contractors, island logistics, staff accommodation & welfare. The project budget is circa \$100mil and our current contract is \$80mil.

A fully functional 4 Star Resort incorporating the largest outdoor living reef aquarium in the world. Daydream will accommodate up to 600 guests with five restaurants, three bars and two beautifully landscaped pools.



Restoration work commenced in early 2018. The existing mosaic that had previously been installed at the water tile of the main pool were cleaned. **Topcem** and **Planicrete** SP were used to make an engineered screed to level the paved area around the pool surrounds.





Karndean Marine Carpet was installed in external walkways on the balcony areas outside each guest room using Mapei's **Ultrabond Turf 2 Stars** and **Ultrabond Turf PU 1K LC.**

Dual bonded Axminster carpet was installed in the flooring areas of Mermaids Restaurant areas using Mapei's **Ultrabond Eco 170** (carpet adhesive with high initial grab and long open time adhesive). Floors were cleaned and properly prepared and repaired using **Mapecem Quickpatch** (fast setting concrete patching compound) and then levelled using Mapei's **UC Leveller** (levelling compound from 3 to 70mm per pour that can withstand wheeled traffic).

Carpet tiles were installed in the Observatory viewing area. Existing ceramic tiles were removed and the concrete substrate was properly cleaned and prepared. The contractor applied **Eco Prim T Plus** primer and levelled with **UC Leveller**. **Nivorapid** was used to ramp some concrete areas that were uneven as well as repair uneven sections along with **Mapecem Quickpatch**. Carpet tiles were installed using **Ultrabond Eco Tack**.

300 existing units were refurbished and existing ceramic tiles replaced with Luxury Vinyl Tiles. The ceramic tiles were primed using **Eco Prim Grip**, levelled using **Ultraplan Eco** and LVT was installed with Mapei's **Ultrabond Eco V4 SP**. Over 10 000m2 of Signature Genero Multi Lay Forest Oak LVT planks were installed.

Over 87 pallets of Ultraplan Eco was supplied. Over 30 pallets of UC Leveller was supplied. **UC Leveller** was used in this project for deep fill sections and then covered with **Ultraplan Eco**.

Ultraplan Fast Track was used in the commercial areas to allow for a fast track installation due to the number of other contractors working in these areas.

300m2 of Armstrong Safeguard Storm Grey commercial vinyl was installed using **Ultrabond Eco MS 4 LVT** and **Ultrabond Eco VS 90 Plus** in all kitchen and bar areas.

Signature Carpet Tiles was also installed in the conference rooms and central facilities using **Ultrabond Eco Tack**.

All internal wet areas were waterproofed using **Mapelastic AquaDefense.** Balconies were waterproofing with **Mapelastic Smart.**

Floor and wall tiles in all guest rooms were installed with **Keraflex Maxi S1** and grouted with **Keracolor FF.**

Bathroom feature walls and mosaics were installed using **Tixobond Fine S1** and grouted with **Keracolor FF**. Floor tiles were installed using **Keraflex Maxi S1** and grouted with **Keracolor FF**.

1600 x 3200mm white marble large format tiles were installed in the lobby area using **Kerabond Plus + Isolastic**.

The Daydream Island refurbishment project was completed in April 2019.

Carpet, Vinyl and LVT Contractor: Choices Flooring – Mackay

Tiling Contractor: Stone Craft

Marine Carpet Contractor: Focus on Flooring Xtra