

Packing for Airlie Beach





About Airlie Beach

Airlie Beach is situated in the Whitsunday Islands and is considered the gateway to the Great Barrier Reef. The nearest airports are in Proserpine, which is a thirty-minute drive away, or Hamilton Island, which is accessible by a short boat ride.

The Holiday

Length of Stay: Six (6) days

Month Visited: August

Things to Know

- Visit between May and October when the humidity is at its lowest. Temperatures are typically in the mid-twenties (Celsius).
- Both locals and tourist dress casually.
- Wear natural fibres such as linen and cotton.
- Pack a lightweight cardigan for evening outings.
- Wear comfortable shoes to enjoy the many scenic walks and beaches.
- Dress in pale neutral colours like tan, beige, and white. Incorporate an accent colour to add interest.
- Although not essential, pack something a little dressier for dinner. Heels are not necessary; a beautiful pair of flat sandals would be perfectly suitable.

Things to Do

- Scenic Great Barrier Reef Flight (we used [GSL Aviation](#))
- Whitehaven Beach Ocean Cruise (we used [Sailing Whitsundays](#))
- Lots of walking
- Coral Beach walking track (Shute Harbour)



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Clothes

A very simple Travel Capsule Wardrobe using neutral tones, natural fibres, and gold accessories.

- Wide-leg Cotton Trousers (two pairs)
- Cardigan
- Tops (four pieces)
- Linen Shirt
- Skirt
- Shoes (two pairs: 1x sandal, 1x sneaker)



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Accessories

I wore these same accessories every day.

- Studs
- Tennis Bracelet
- Watch
- Cross-body Bag



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Not all those who wander are lost.

J.R.R. Tolkien



Makeup

As a (former) professional make-up artist, I love makeup. But I don't wear a lot, and I don't own a lot.

The 'keep it simple' philosophy I apply to my wardrobe, I also apply to colour cosmetics. The seven items below fit perfectly in a small cosmetics bag.

- Fit Cover Powder Foundation and application brush
- Mascara, Lash Paradise (L'Oreal)
- Lip Liner, Dervish (Mac)
- Lipstick, Pillow Talk Fair (Charlotte Tilbury)
- Eyebrow Pencil
- Pencil Sharpener

Skin Care

Again, simplicity – in my opinion – is best. A few good quality products are all that's needed.

- Cleanser
- Toner (I use a Rosehip Spray)
- Day Cream, with SPF
- Night Cream
- Eye Cream
- Serum

Hair Care

- Shampoo (travel size)
- Conditioner (travel size)
- Comb
- Brush
- Hair Volumising Powder

Outfit Combinations

Wide-leg trouser + Basic top + Sneaker



Wide-leg trouser + Basic top + Sandal



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Skirt and Cardigan

We had a lovely dinner at Hemmingway's Restaurant (now permanently closed), and this outfit was perfect.



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**You can have anything you want in life if you dress
for it.**

Edith Head

