



Great Barrier Island Travel Options

Hillary Outdoors has put together the below travel option suggestions for school groups to travel to our Great Barrier Island Centre. We have preferred pricing with some operators which we can share with you when you book your group on one of our programmes.

**Please note, prices shown below are inclusive of GST and are subject to change at the discretion of the transport providers. Last update January 2024, prices have been rounded.*

The table below shows the most cost and time effective transport options, based on group size:

| Travellers Students + Adults | Transportation | Travel time (From place of departure) |
|---------------------------------|---|--|
| 10+1 | Barrier Air and Bus | 1.5 hours total |
| | Sealink Ferry and Bus | 5.5 hours total |
| 20+2 | Barrier Air and Bus | 1.5-hours total |
| | Sealink Ferry and Bus | 5.5 hours total |
| 30+3 | Kawau Water Taxi | 3 hours |
| 40+4 | 43 on Kawau Water Taxi and one person flies | 3 hours |
| 50+5 | 43 on Kawau Water Taxi and 12 on flights | 3 hours |

Kawau Water Taxi:

- Sandspit (Warkworth) to Hillary Outdoors Great Barrier Island
- 3-hour sailing time arrives direct at Hillary Outdoors **(no bus transfer required)**.
- Variable sailing times. 50% deposit required.
- 2 Vessels available to depart from Sandspit.
- Luggage: 1 bag, sleeping bag and small carry-on day pack per person.
 - Vessel 1 Explorer: **(up to 43pax) Return fare: \$6,323**
 - Vessel 2 Kat IV: **(up to 99pax) Return fare: \$13,215**
(100-144pax) Return fare: \$14,637

TO BOOK: Please let the Bookings Team know if you would like to book this service; we will make the booking on your behalf for your required dates and number of passengers. Kawau Water Taxis will then contact you to organise payment with your finance department directly. You will communicate with them directly regarding any changes/cancellations/payment.

Barrier Air:

- **Auckland or North Shore to Great Barrier Island (Claris Airport).**
- 30-minute flight arrives at Claris airport, **(plus 50-minute Great Barrier Bus transfer to Hillary Outdoors*)**.
- Flexible flight timetable.
- Luggage: 15kg per person maximum (*surcharge applies for additional luggage*).
- Report to Great Barrier Air counter, Air NZ Domestic Terminal, Auckland or North Shore Aerodrome, 45 minutes before flight departure time.
- Auckland to Claris return:
 - **Return fare (student or adult): \$292 per person.**

TO BOOK: Email Barrier Air, Brooke Witherford, logistics@barrierair.kiwi requesting flights for your trip to Hillary Outdoors, include dates and time requested, as well as number of people. Each plane seats 12 people. You will communicate with them directly regarding any changes/cancellations/payment. Please then let the Bookings Team know you will be travelling with Barrier Air and your flight times so we can then book your shuttle transfer. You can do this by updating your online booking information form and commenting to bookings@hillaryoutdoors.co.nz. (See below for Great Barrier Bus info and pricing)

Great Barrier Buses: *required with both Barrier Air and Sealink Ferry

- When flying with Barrier Air, Claris Airport to Hillary Outdoors, there will be a 50-minute bus transfer. When travelling with Sealink Ferry, Tryphena Wharf to Hillary Outdoors, there will be a 60-minute bus transfer. The cost is the same for either journey:
 - **Return fare \$52 per person**

TO BOOK: When you let us know that you have booked the Sealink Ferry/ Barrier Air services we will then make the shuttle booking on your behalf for your required dates and number of passengers. Great Barrier Buses will be in touch with your finance department to organise payment directly. You will liaise with the service provider directly regarding any changes/cancellations - we will provide you with their details once your booking is confirmed. They usually invoice after the return journey has taken place.

SeaLink Ferry:

- **Auckland (Wynyard Wharf) to Great Barrier Island (Tryphena Wharf).**
- Five-hour sailing time to Tryphena Wharf, plus one hour bus transfer to Hillary Outdoors.
- Set timetable.
- Luggage: 2 items of luggage per person (*surcharge applies for additional luggage*).
- Report to SeaLink Ferry Terminal, 56 Hamer Street, Wynyard Quarter, Auckland, at least 60 minutes before departure time.
- Auckland to Tryphena return (not including bus transfer):
 - **Return fare (adult): \$225 per person**
 - **Return fare (student): \$195 per person** (student ID required, 15+yrs)
 - **Return fare (child): \$165 per person** (5-15yrs)

TO BOOK: Book direct via email info@sealink.co.nz or phone on 09 300 5900 and request your 10% group discount for groups of 10 or more. You will communicate with them directly regarding any changes/cancellations/payments. Please then let the Bookings Team know you will be travelling with

Sealink and your arrival/departure times so we can then book your Great Barrier Bus transfer. You can do this by updating your online booking information form and commenting to bookings@hillaryoutdoors.co.nz. (See above for Great Barrier Bus info and pricing)

