

**Sample Itinerary for a 5 night charter.**

	<b>Airlie Beach - 5 night</b>	<b>Nautical Miles</b>
Day/night 1	Airlie Beach to Nara Inlet	13nm
Day/night 2	Nara Inlet to Butterfly Bay	12nm
Day/night 3	Butterfly Bay to Whitehaven Beach	18nm
Day/night 4	Whitehaven Beach to Hamilton Island	10nm
Day/night 5	Hamilton Island to Cid Harbour	7nm
Day 6	Cid to Airlie Beach	15nm

This itinerary is based on predominantly south - south easterly breezes. In a northerly Butterfly Bay and Whitehaven Beach may only be good for a lunch stop not an overnigher. Alternative anchorages in these instances could be Stonehaven or Macona Inlet instead of Butterfly Bay and Chance Bay/Turtle Bay as an alternative to Whitehaven Beach.

<p><b>Nara Inlet</b> Beautiful Fjord like inlet. Entrance is on the starboard side as there is an extensive reef to port. Nara Inlet features ancient aboriginal cave paintings with a good bush walk and views over the inlet. Take a walk to the top of the waterfall which is spectacular after heavy rains. Anchoring only (no moorings) with very good holding and one of the best places for a sound night's sleep in all conditions.</p>
<p><b>Butterfly Bay</b> A great place to snorkel or dive. There are quite a few public moorings in these bays but anchoring can also be done outside of the reef protection markers. Bullets can be frequent in strong southerlies, so if anchoring make sure it is well set. From Butterfly you can also dinghy around to Maureens Cove for more beautiful snorkeling and diving. There is an abundance of fish and corals that can take you days to explore. Not a good anchorage in northerlies &amp; fishing is not permitted.</p>
<p><b>Tongue Bay</b> This is a great anchorage to explore Hill inlet. There is a platform lookout, accessible by taking the dinghy around to Betty's Beach - which has great views over Whitehaven and the inlet. Not a good anchorage for N-NE-E winds.</p>
<p><b>Whitehaven Beach</b> This 5km beach of pure white silica sand is extremely popular and a must to visit on everyone's itinerary. Can sometimes be very roly at night and at dusk and dawn if on the beach watch out for the sandflies! Good in all breezes but N-NE.</p>
<p><b>Cid Harbour</b> Sawmill Beach is a very good anchorage in anything except W-NW-N winds. In this case then anchoring in Dugong Inlet is an option in all but West winds. Sawmill Beach has a great walking track which is not too strenuous around to Dugong Beach or if you are fit and have the whole day consider a walk to Whitsunday Peak for spectacular views over The Whitsundays. This anchorage is teeming with Turtles and you will also spot Sea Eagles and the occasional Dugong!</p>
<p><b>Hamilton Island</b> This resort island is located in the middle of the Whitsunday group and can be a great mid charter stop over for many reasons. You are free to use all the resort facilities (pools etc) and there are a great many restaurants and cafés to choose from and a good range of activities to keep you amused. Fill up with water, top up the fridge &amp; get rid of your rubbish. There is also a Doctors, General Store, Bakery, Bottle Shop, Bank, Post Office and many boutique clothing stores.</p>

Please consult your chart and the book "100 Magic Miles" by David Colfelt for further information as this is a general guide only and is subject to weather conditions.