2021 Winners

**Major Tourist Attractions**

**Gold:** Currumbin Wildlife Sanctuary  
**Silver:** Australian Age of Dinosaurs Museum of Natural History  
**Bronze:** Qantas Founders Museum

**Tourist Attractions**

**Gold:** Bundaberg Rum Distillery Visitor Experience  
**Silver:** Mary Valley Rattler  
**Bronze:** Hinkler Hall of Aviation

**Major Festivals and Events**

**Gold:** Beef 2021  
**Silver:** Toowoomba Carnival of Flowers  
**Bronze:** Blues on Broadbeach

**Festivals and Events**

**Gold:** Isaac Regional Council – St Lawrence Wetlands Weekend  
**Silver:** Rare Spares Rockynats Car Festival  
**Bronze:** Birdsville Big Red Bash

**The Steve Irwin Award for Ecotourism**

**Gold:** Lady Elliot Island Eco Resort  
**Silver:** Small World Journeys  
**Bronze:** Sailaway
2021 Winners

**Cultural Tourism**

*Gold:* Fun Over Fifty
*Silver:* Paronella Park
*Bronze:* Qantas Founders Museum

**Qantas Award for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Tourism**

*Gold:* Spirits of the Red Sand
*Silver:* Rainforestation Nature Park
*Bronze:* Bamaga Enterprise Ltd & Cape York Peninsula Lodge

**Tourism Retail & Hire Services**

*Gold:* Pelican Boat Hire
*Silver:* Whitsunday Coast Airport

**Visitor Information Services**

*Gold:* Longreach Visitor Information Centre
*Silver:* Balonne Shire Visitor Information Centre
*Bronze:* Mackay Region Visitor Information Centre

**Business Event Venues**

*Gold:* Empire Apartment Hotel Conference Centre
*Silver:* Gold Coast Convention and Exhibition Centre
Major Tour and/or Transport Operators

Gold: Red Cat Adventures
Silver: Ocean Rafting
Bronze: Sea World Cruises

Tour and/or Transport Operators

Gold: Sailaway
Silver: Lady Musgrave Experience
Bronze: 1770 LARC! Tours

Adventure Tourism

Gold: Red Cat Adventures
Silver: See Moreton
Bronze: Skypark Cairns

The Richard Power Award for Tourism Marketing and Campaigns

Gold: Scenic Rim Regional Council ‘Welcome to the Richest Place on Earth, In Australia’ Campaign
Silver: Tourism Tropical North Queensland ‘Summer in the Tropics’ Campaign
Bronze: Tourism Whitsundays ‘Wonders of the Whitsundays’ Campaign

Tourism Restaurants and Catering Services

Gold: The Windmill Café Bargara
Silver: Dracula’s Cabaret Gold Coast
Bronze: JW Marriott Gold Coast Resort & Spa
2021 Winners

Tourism Wineries, Distilleries and Breweries

**Gold:** Bundaberg Rum Distillery Visitor Experience

**Silver:** O’Reilly’s Canungra Valley Vineyards

**Bronze:** Sarina Sugar Shed

Caravan and Holiday Parks

**Gold:** Julia Creek Caravan Park

**Silver:** BIG4 Adventure Whitsunday Resort

**Bronze:** Ingenia Holidays Cairns Coconut

Hosted Accommodation

**Gold:** Narrows Escape Rainforest Retreat

**Silver:** Bli Bli House Riverside Retreat

**Bronze:** The Country House at Hunchy

Unique Accommodation

**Gold:** Paradise Resort Gold Coast

**Silver:** Cruise Whitsundays

**Bronze:** Whitsunday Escape

Self-Contained Accommodation

**Gold:** Pinnacles Resort

**Silver:** RACV Noosa Resort

**Bronze:** Bella Casa Noosa
2021 Winners

3 – 3.5 Star Accommodation
Gold: Oaks Toowoomba Hotel
Silver: ibis Styles Mount Isa

4 – 4.5 Star Accommodation
Gold: Empire Apartment Hotel
Silver: Novotel Cairns Oasis Resort
Bronze: Novotel Brisbane Southbank

5 Star Accommodation
Gold: InterContinental Hayman Island Resort
Silver: The Reef House Boutique Hotel and Spa
Bronze: Emporium Hotel South Bank

New Tourism Business
Gold: Mitchell Grass Retreat
Silver: Hopo Gold Coast Ferry
Bronze: O’Reilly’s Campground

Excellence in Food Tourism
Gold: Beef 2021
Silver: The Ginger Factory
Bronze: Sarina Sugar Shed
2021 Winners

**Outstanding Contribution by a Volunteer or Volunteer Group**

**Gold:** Mary Valley Rattler

**Silver:** Australia Zoo

**Bronze:** Goondiwindi Region – Rebecca Cover

**Young Achievers Award**

**Gold:** Simon Thornalley, Saltwater Eco Tours

**The Marie Watson-Blake Award for Outstanding Contribution by an Individual**

**Gold:** Bindi Irwin, Australia Zoo

**Gold Posthumous Award:** John Courtney, Tourism Tropical North Queensland

**RACQ People’s Choice Awards**

**Experience & Service:** Paronella Park

**Accommodation:** RACV Noosa Resort

**Judges Award for Innovation and Resilience**

**Gold:** Fun Over Fifty